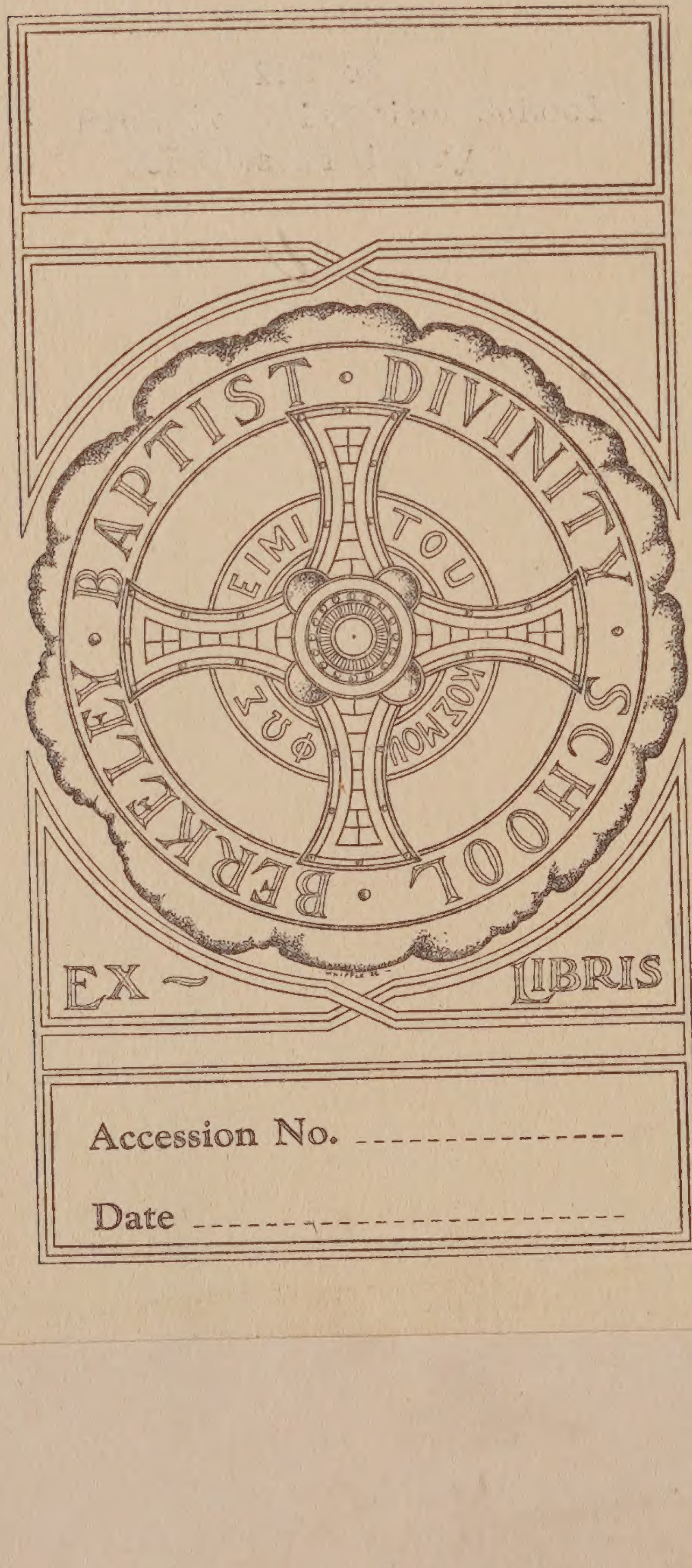


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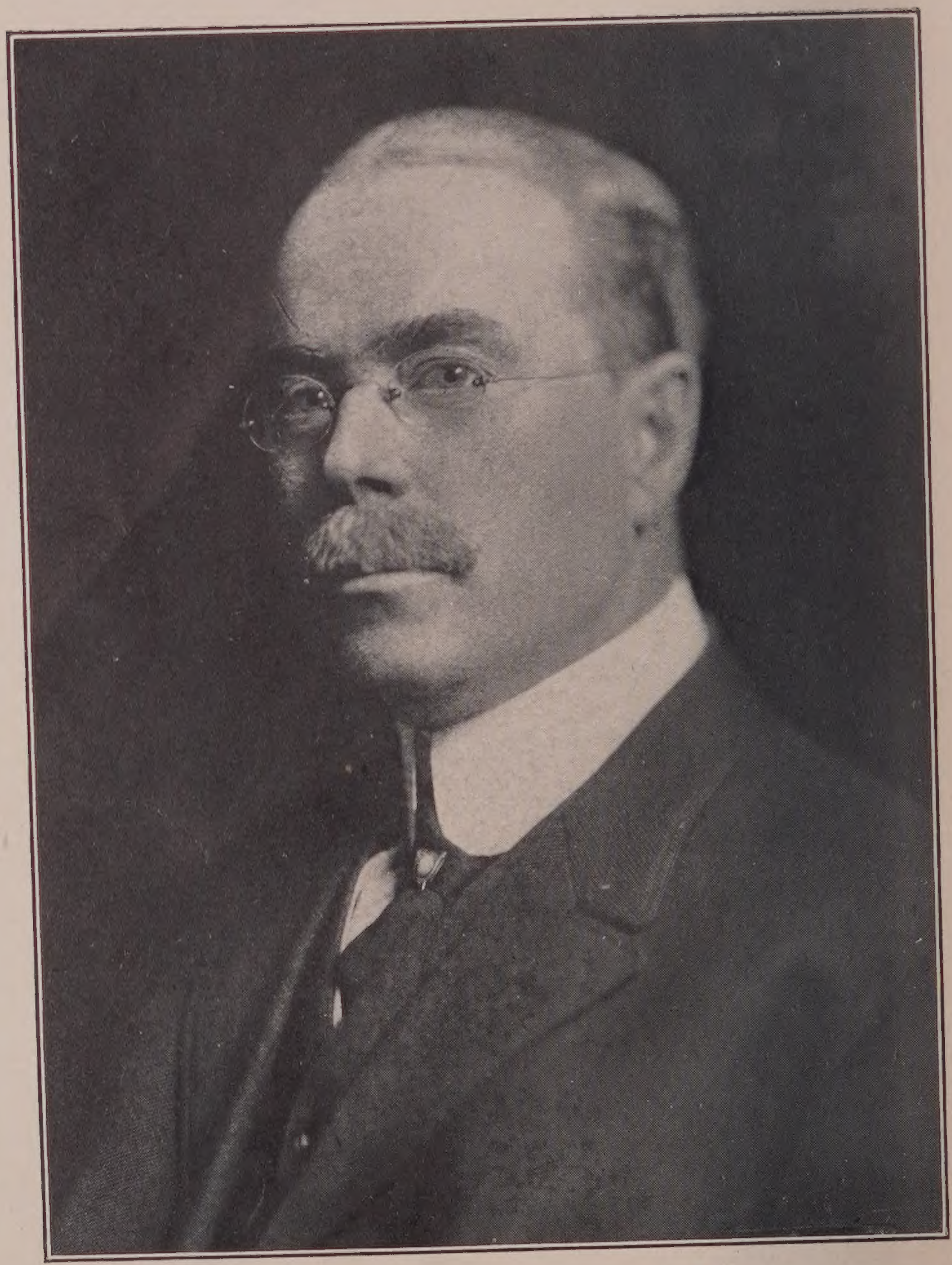
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FOREWORD

The Annual appears this year with a single pagination. This has been made possible by a slight rearrangement in the section devoted to the Convention; such which formerly preceded the minutes under Roman notation being transferred to Appendix A. This order is logical, and we believe, will prove satisfactory. The consecutive paging and two indices, one for the Convention section and another at the end for the entire volume, will render the annual possible as never before. In order to avoid confusion, index references are to pages only.

This volume should be a much-consulted book of reference concerning our denomination and its activities for the kingdom. Its usefulness would be enhanced by general circulation beyond the registered delegates. The edition includes copies for that purpose. We commend the Annual alike to pastors and laymen, and urge that its value be emphasized by the denominational press, and at all meetings of Associations and State Conventions.

The editor desires again to acknowledge his indebtedness to all who have aided in the production of the Annual, and would mention especially the Rev. P. C. Wright, Clerk of Minutes; the Rev. C. M. Gallup, Clerk of Reports; and the Rev. D. G. Stevens, Book Editor of the American Baptist Publication Society, who, in addition to superintending the production, also prepared the index at the end of the volume.

It is hoped that the Annual for 1915 may prove more useful than any of its predecessors. The editor will welcome constructive criticisms, which may be sent to him at 754 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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DECLARATION

The Northern Baptist Convention declares its belief in the independence of the local church, and in the purely advisory nature of all denominational organizations composed of representatives of churches. It believes also that, in view of the growth of the Baptist denomination and its extension throughout our country, there is need for an organization to serve the common interests of the entire denomination as State and district organizations serve their respective constituencies.

ACT OF INCORPORATION

Chapter 384 of the Laws of the State of New York of 1910.
Became a Law June 6, 1910.

An Act to Incorporate the Northern Baptist Convention

Section 1. All persons who are now or who hereafter may become members of the organization called the Northern Baptist Convention, formed in the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, in the year nineteen hundred and seven, are hereby constituted a body corporate with the name "Northern Baptist Convention," and under that name shall have perpetual succession and shall have the right to purchase or to acquire by gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise, and to sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of, any real or personal property.

Sec. 2. The object of the corporation shall be to give expression to the opinions of its constituency upon moral, religious, and denominational matters, and to promote denominational unity and efficiency in efforts for the evangelization of the world.

Sec. 3. The corporation, at any time it shall determine so to do, may elect or appoint such officers and may adopt such by-laws or regulations in relation to its organization, to the management, disposition, and sale of its real or personal property, to the duties and powers of its officers, and to the management and conduct of its corporate business and affairs as it shall think proper, provided such by-laws or regulations are not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or this State.

Sec. 4. Meetings of the corporation may be held at such time or times and at such place or places in the United States as the corporation may determine from time to time.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. The Convention shall be composed of accredited delegates appointed as follows:

(a) Any Baptist church in the United States may appoint one delegate, and one additional delegate for every one hundred members.

(b) Any Baptist State Convention may appoint ten delegates, and one additional delegate for every ten District Associations included in it, above the first ten.

SEC. 2. Accredited officers and members of Boards of Managers of cooperating organizations shall be delegates *ex officio*.

The accredited officers and members of the Boards of Managers of the Woman's Missionary Societies auxiliary to or cooperating with the American Baptist Home Mission Society or the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society shall be delegates *ex officio*.

Officers and members of committees of the Convention during their terms of service shall be delegates *ex officio*.

ARTICLE II

OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers shall be a President, a First Vice-president, a Second Vice-president, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer.

SEC. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Convention and of the Executive Committee, and shall exercise a general supervision over the affairs of the Convention.

SEC. 3. In the case of the absence of the President or his inability to serve, his duties shall be performed by the Vice-president in attendance who is first in numerical order.

SEC. 4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Convention, shall send notices to the members of the Executive Committee of the times and places of its meetings, shall inform the chairman of each committee of the names of its members and of the purpose for which it was appointed, and shall perform such duties as the Executive Committee may direct.

SEC. 5. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Convention in a book provided for that purpose.

SEC. 6. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Convention, keep an accurate account thereof and of the sources from which they were derived, pay them out on the direction of the Convention or of the Executive Committee, and at each annual meeting make a written financial report.

SEC. 7. Each officer shall be elected by ballot and shall serve from the close of the meeting of the Convention at which he is elected to the close of the next annual meeting, and until his successor is elected.

SEC. 8. Any member of a Baptist church in the United States is eligible to any office or to serve on any committee, except where otherwise provided.

ARTICLE III

MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The Convention shall meet annually on the third Wednesday in May, unless for some special reason some other time shall be fixed by the Executive Committee in conference with the Boards of Managers of the cooperating organizations.

SEC. 2. Each delegate to an annual meeting shall pay a registration fee of one dollar, and on payment shall be entitled to receive a copy of the Annual.

ARTICLE IV

COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. (a) There shall be an Executive Committee elected by ballot, and composed of the officers and former presidents of the Convention, and thirty others, of whom at least fifteen shall be laymen. Of the thirty first elected, ten shall serve for three years, ten for two years, and ten for one year; and thereafter there shall be elected annually ten to serve for three years. Vacancies caused by the death, resignation, or refusal to act of any of the thirty may be filled by the remaining members of the Committee.

(b) It shall be the duty of this Committee to make arrangements for the meetings of the Convention; to report to it annually in writing, and to care for its interests between the meetings.

(c) No appeals for money shall be made and no collections shall be taken at the meetings of the Convention which have not been approved by the Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. (a) There shall be a Finance Committee of nine, a majority of whom shall be laymen. Of the nine persons first appointed, three shall serve for three years, three for two years, and three for one year; and thereafter there shall be appointed annually three to serve for a term of three years. A vacancy causd by the death, resignation, or refusal to act of any member of the committee may be filled by the remaining members of the committee until the next meeting of the Convention.

(b) It shall be the duty of this Committee to prepare and present to the Convention at each annual meeting a budget based on the budgets

submitted by the Executive Committee and by the cooperating organizations.

(c) In case of an emergency arising between the annual meetings of the Convention, the committee, by the majority vote of all its members, may approve the incurring of indebtedness by a cooperating organization. Should such approval be given, the committee shall report its action with the reasons therefor to the Convention at its next annual meeting.

SEC. 3. (a) There shall be an Apportionment Committee appointed at each annual meeting. It shall be composed of a representative from each of the following bodies: The Executive Committee of the Convention, each of the cooperating organizations, a city church, a rural church, and a State Apportionment Committee, together with a District Secretary of a cooperating organization and an executive officer of a State Convention.

(b) It shall be the duty of this committee:

1. To divide among the States represented in the Convention the respective amounts to be raised as specified in the budget approved by the Convention, and to communicate to the Apportionment Committee of each State the amount apportioned to it;

2. To appoint an Apportionment Committee for any State where no such committee is appointed;

3. To employ such agents and methods and to take such other action to carry the apportionment into effect as to it may seem wise;

4. To report in writing at each annual meeting of the Convention;

5. To divide ratably among the beneficiaries of the budget the expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of the committee.

SEC. 4. There shall be a Committee on Reports, to serve from the adjournment of each annual meeting of the Convention until the adjournment of its next annual meeting. All reports of cooperating organizations shall be submitted to the committee as early as practicable before the next meeting of the Convention, at which the committee shall present its report in writing.

SEC. 5. There shall be a Committee on Enrolment consisting of five persons, which shall be appointed at the first session of each annual meeting. To this committee shall be presented the credentials of delegates to the Convention, and the committee shall prepare from these credentials and shall report to the Convention a roll of delegates.

SEC. 6. There shall be a Committee on Order of Business, which shall report each day to the Convention a proposed order of business for the next day.

SEC. 7. There shall be a Committee on Nominations of Officers and for vacancies in the Executive Committee.

SEC. 8. There shall be a Committee on Selection of a Place for the Next Annual Meeting, which shall report before the adjournment of the last session of the Convention at which the committee is appointed.

SEC. 9. There shall be a Committee on Resolutions which shall consider and report upon all resolutions referred to it by the Convention, and may

originate and report others. A motion to refer to this committee shall not be debatable. The final report of the committee shall be presented not later than at the morning session of the last day on which the Convention meets. After the final report shall have been presented, no proposed resolution referring to a subject not included in the report shall be referred to the committee, but, without debate, shall be sent to the Executive Committee for submission to the Committee on Resolutions at the next annual meeting of the Convention. This By-law may be suspended by a three-fourths vote.

SEC. 10. There shall be a Law Committee consisting of five persons. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider and report upon all matters referred to it by the Convention or the Executive Committee.

SEC. 11. The Committees on Reports, on Order of Business, on Nominations, on Selection of a Place for the Next Annual Meeting, and on Resolutions shall be composed of one of the delegates from each State, to be nominated by such delegates and elected by the Convention at the second session of each annual meeting. A vacancy in any one of these committees shall be filled by the delegates from the unrepresented State.

SEC. 12. The Executive Committee shall appoint annually one of its members, whose term does not expire the current year, to act as an additional member of the Committee on Nominations, without the right to vote.

SEC. 13. The President shall appoint all committees, and shall fill any vacancy in any committee, except when otherwise provided.

SEC. 14. The word "State" means any State, Territory, district, or dependency of the United States.

ARTICLE V

COOPERATING ORGANIZATIONS

SECTION 1. On its application and the approval of the Convention by a two-thirds vote, any general denominational missionary, educational, or philanthropic organization, whose constituency resides in the States represented in the Convention, may become a cooperating organization.

SEC. 2. A cooperating organization must agree:

(a) To insert in its by-laws a provision that all accredited delegates to each annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention shall be annual members of the organization;

(b) To regulate its expenditures in accordance with a budget to be annually approved by the Convention;

(c) To solicit funds only on the approval of the Convention, or on the approval of the Finance Committee given between the annual meetings of the Convention as provided by Article IV, Section 2, Subdivision (c);

(d) To incur no indebtedness without the previous approval of the Convention, or of the Finance Committee as provided by Article IV, Section 2, Subdivision (c);

(e) To submit its books and accounts to the inspection of the Finance Committee; to prepare its budgets and to make its financial reports in such form as that committee shall request.

SEC. 3. The Convention, through its Executive and Finance Committees, will aid in raising funds needed to carry on the work of each cooperating organization.

SEC. 4. Cooperation between the Convention and a cooperating organization shall be terminated on the expiration of a year after written notice of a desire to terminate cooperation shall have been given by one to the other.

ARTICLE VI

BOARDS

SECTION 1. (a) There shall be a Board of Education, to be composed of twenty-one persons, to be appointed by the Executive Committee. Of the twenty-one first appointed, seven shall serve for three years, seven shall serve for two years, and seven shall serve for one year, and thereafter seven shall be appointed annually by the Executive Committee to serve for three years. Vacancies caused by the death, resignation, or refusal to act of any of the twenty-one may be filled by the Executive Committee.

(b) It shall be the duty of this Board to develop the educational convictions of our churches, to make a comprehensive study of our educational problems, and to foster such denominational institutions and denominational ministries in other schools of learning as the Board may approve.

(c) The Board may adopt by-laws for its government, elect its own officers and define their duties, and shall report annually to the Convention.

SEC. 2. To each annual meeting of the Convention the Executive Committee shall present the names of persons to be appointed by the Convention to fill such vacancies in the Board of Managers of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board of the Northern Baptist Convention as shall exist at the annual meeting of said Board.

ARTICLE VII

AFFILIATING ORGANIZATIONS

SECTION 1. On its application and the approval of the Convention any Baptist State Convention in any State represented in the Convention may become an affiliating organization.

SEC. 2. An affiliating organization should agree:

(a) To adopt the following statement of its objects:

To promote in the State of ..... the preaching of the gospel, ministerial and general education, the establishment, maintenance, and assistance of Baptist churches and Bible-schools, and the care of worthy pastors, their wives or widows, and their dependent children.

To give expression to the opinions of its constituency upon moral, religious, and denominational matters, to promote denominational unity and efficiency in efforts for the evangelization of the world, to support earnestly the work of cooperating organizations of the Northern Baptist Convention, and by affiliation with that Convention to promote its plans and work.

(b) To provide for the promotion of these objects by thorough and efficient organization.

(c) To appoint an Apportionment Committee whose duty it shall be to receive from the Apportionment Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention the statement of the amount apportioned by the latter to the State, to add to that amount the sum adopted by the State Convention for all other objects, and to apportion the aggregate amount equitably among the churches of the State and to notify each church of the amount apportioned to it. District Secretaries of the organizations cooperating with the Northern Baptist Convention and the State Secretary shall be advisory members of the State Apportionment Committee.

(d) To employ such agents and methods and to take such other action to carry the apportionment into effect as to it may seem wise.

ARTICLE VIII

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 1. On all ballots for officers and members of the Executive Committee there shall be reserved a space after the name of the nominee for each office, and after the names of the nominees for the Executive Committee, in which spaces may be inserted the name or names of any other person or persons to be voted for, as the case may be.

SEC. 2. (a) When any motion is pending before the Convention, its consideration may be temporarily suspended by a motion that a vote on the subject shall be taken by the delegations from the States, and such a motion shall be deemed carried when supported by one-fifth of the delegates voting; and upon the report of the result by States a motion to concur shall be in order; and in case it shall be decided in the affirmative, the matter shall be deemed settled; but if the Convention votes not to concur, the matter shall be dismissed from further consideration at that meeting of the Convention.

(b) On a vote by States, each State shall be entitled to one vote, and an additional vote for every ten thousand members of Baptist churches within the State in affiliation with the Northern Baptist Convention.

(c) The vote of each State shall be determined by the majority of its delegates voting.

(d) A motion to vote by States shall be in order at any time while a motion is pending, shall not be debatable, and shall not close debate on the original motion.

(e) For use at each annual meeting the Recording Secretary shall prepare a statement of the number of votes to which each State shall be entitled according to the best denominational statistics available. The statement thus prepared, when approved by the Executive Committee, shall be authoritative.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended at any annual meeting of the Convention, either on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, given at a previous session of the Convention at which such amendment is submitted, or after written notice of the proposed amendment, given at a previous annual meeting and signed by at least twenty-five delegates, representing not less than five States.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

Presentation of Outside Causes

Resolved, That the presentation at meetings of the Convention of causes other than those relating to the work of the Convention and its Cooperating Organizations be permitted only upon recommendation of the Executive Committee.

(Annual 1912, Item 285, page 177; Item 288, page 180.)

Nomination and Election of Committees

Resolved, That when the time for electing committees at the first afternoon session is reached, a recess of thirty minutes shall be taken to allow the State delegations to meet, organize, and nominate to the Convention the committeemen on the Committees on Order of Business, on Nominations, on Selection of a Place for the Next Annual Meeting, on Resolutions, and on Reports. The members of the Committee on Nominations shall be nominated by the State delegations by ballot.

That, at the close of the recess, the Recording Secretary of the Convention shall call the roll of States; that each State chairman, from his place on the floor, shall announce the names of the committeemen nominated to the Convention (a list of names having previously been sent to the Secretary's table); and that then the Convention shall proceed to the election of the committees thus nominated.

Immediately after the election, it shall be the duty of the President to announce the rooms in which the several committees so elected shall meet on adjournment of the session. The convener of each Committee shall be the committeeman from the State in which the Convention is meeting, or, in his absence, the committeeman from the State in which the Convention met the previous year.

(Annual 1912, Item 5, page 54; Item 118, page 84; Item 119, page 85.)
(Annual 1914, Item 6, page 7; Item 10, page 19.)

Debatable Motions in Writing

Resolved, That all debatable motions shall be reduced to writing, and be in the hands of the Recording Secretary before a vote by the Convention.

(Annual 1913, Item 5, page 1; Item 61, page 24.)

Rules of Order

Resolved, That, beginning with the Convention in 1914, "Robert's Rules of Order" be the manual of parliamentary practice for the guidance of the Convention in all matters of procedure not prescribed in the By-laws.

(Annual 1913, Items 294, 295, pages 153, 154.)

Northern Baptist Convention

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Recording Secretary

REV. MAURICE A. LEVY.....754 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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FRANK L. MINER.....Des Moines, Iowa.

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[illegible] Martin, Seattle, Wash.
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Term Expires 1917

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REV. J. WHITCOMB BROUGHER

Chairman of the Los Angeles Committee of Arrangements

THE CONVENTION MINUTES

FIRST SESSION, *Wednesday, May 19, 1915, 10 A. M.*

1. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

2. Rev. L. F. Requa, Jr., of Connecticut, offered prayer.

3. On motion of D. G. Garabrant, of New Jersey, it was voted that in the absence of Corresponding Secretary W. C. Bitting, Rev. L. A. Crandall, of Minnesota, serve as Corresponding Secretary pro tem.

4. An address of welcome was delivered by Rev. J. W. Brougher, of California.

5. President E. S. Clinch delivered the President's address.

6. On motion of Dr. J. A. Bennett, of New York, the Convention adjourned subject to the call of the President.

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

7. The Society was called to order by Secretary F. P. Haggard.

8. On motion of Rev. E. M. Lake, of Michigan, it was voted that Henry Bond, of Vermont, serve as presiding officer.

9. Secretary G. B. Huntington read the call for the meeting.

10. On motion of Secretary G. B. Huntington it was voted that the minutes of the Society be approved.

11. The annual report of the Society was presented by Treasurer E. S. Butler, of Massachusetts, and on motion was received and referred to the Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention on Reports of Cooperating Organizations.

12. On motion of Rev. H. S. Johnson, of Massachusetts, it was voted,

That the persons composing the Committee on Nominations of the Northern Baptist Convention be the Committee on Nominations of the Society; and that Henry Bond be appointed as the member of that Committee to represent the Society, without the right to vote.

13. On motion of Secretary G. B. Huntington it was voted that the election of officers for the Society take place on Monday morning, May 24, or at such other time as the Committee on Order of Business shall indicate.

14. On motion the Society adjourned.

American Baptist Home Mission Society

15. The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards, of California.

16. The annual report of the Society was presented by Secretary H. L. Morehouse, and on his motion was received and referred to the Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention on Reports of Cooperating Organizations.

17. On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse it was voted,

That the persons composing the Committee on Nominations of the Northern Baptist Convention be the Committee on Nominations of the Society; and that D. G. Garabrant, of New Jersey, be appointed as the member of that Committee to represent the Society, without the right to vote.

18. On motion the election of officers for the Society was referred to the meeting on Friday, May 21, at 2 p. m., or at such time as the President shall call a meeting of the Society.

19. On motion the Society adjourned.

American Baptist Publication Society

20. The Society was called to order by President J. W. Brougher.

21. On motion of Secretary A. J. Rowland it was voted that Rev. H. W. Smith, of Pennsylvania, serve as Secretary pro tem.

22. The annual report of the Society was presented by Secretary A. J. Rowland, and on his motion was received and referred to the Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention on Reports of Cooperating Organizations.

23. On motion of Secretary A. J. Rowland it was voted,

That the persons composing the Committee on Nominations of the Northern Baptist Convention be the Committee on Nominations of the Society; and that Rev. G. T. Webb, of Pennsylvania, be appointed as the member of that Committee to represent the Society, without the right to vote.

24. On motion of Secretary A. J. Rowland it was voted that other business of the Society be transacted on Wednesday afternoon, May 26, or at such time as the President shall call a meeting of the Society.

25. On motion the Society adjourned.

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

26. The Society was called to order by President Mrs. A. G. Lester.

27. The annual report of the Society was presented by Secretary Mrs. K. S. Westfall, and on her motion was referred to the Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention on Reports of Cooperating Organizations.

28. On motion it was voted,

That the persons composing the Committee on Nominations of the Northern Baptist Convention be the Committee on Nominations of the Society; and that Mrs. Washington Laycock, of Illinois, be appointed as the member of that Committee to represent the Society, without the right to vote.

29. On motion the Society adjourned to meet on Saturday afternoon, or at such time as the President shall call a meeting of the Society.

Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

30. The Society was called to order by President Mrs. W. A. Montgomery.

31. The annual report of the Society was presented by Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, of Illinois, and on her motion was referred to the Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention on Reports of Cooperating Organizations.

32. On motion of Mrs. Andrew MacLeish it was voted,

That the persons composing the Committee on Nominations of the Northern Baptist Convention be the Committee on Nominations of the Society; and that Mrs. R. B. Montgomery, of New York, be appointed as the member of that Committee to represent the Society, without the right to vote.

33. On motion it was voted that other business of the Society be deferred until Monday, May 24, or such time as the Committee on Order of Business shall indicate.

34. On motion the Society adjourned.

Northern Baptist Convention

35. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

36. The following report of the Executive Committee was presented by Secretary L. A. Crandall:

Report of the Executive Committee

I. RECOMMENDATIONS AND ROUTINE ACTION

Section 1. Recommendations

I. Program for this Convention. Section 3.
II. Annuities for Ministers and Missionaries. Section 8.
III. The Convention Budget. Section 11.
IV. Approval of Treasurer's Report. Section 12.
V. Relations with General Baptists. Section 13.

Section 2. Executive Committee Service

The Executive Committee has held two meetings: the first in Chicago, November 10, 1914, attended by twenty-five members; the second in New York City, February 23, 1915, attended by eleven members. The latter meeting was without expense to the Convention. Its action was approved by correspondence with all the members of the Committee.

Section 3. Arrangements for this Convention

When the Convention is held upon either the Pacific or the Atlantic coast it seems impossible to secure a date that will accommodate everybody. The distances make heavy demands upon the time of delegates from either extreme. The absence of pastors from regular work and the conflict with school commencements and other functions prevent the attendance of many who otherwise would be present. This year the Committee thought it best to hold to the date fixed by the By-Laws because of many protests against changes which have been received in the past.

The local Committee of Arrangements found it impossible to make arrangements for holding all our sessions in the Temple. The transfer of the meetings from the Temple to churches was a necessity. No confusion will arise, however, from this change.

The Executive Committee is charged by the By-Laws with making arrangements for the meetings of the Convention. We herewith submit a provisional program for your action.

SECTION 4. FILLING VACANCIES AND APPOINTING MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES

(References throughout this Report are to the Annual for 1914.)

The following appointments have been made:

1. *Executive Committee:* Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, Glencoe, Ill., elected in place of Mr. Edward S. Clinch, resigned.

2. *Apportionment Committee:* The President appointed Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rochester, N. Y., in place of Miss E. Jean Batty, Chicago, Ill., resigned.

3. *Delegate to Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America:* Dr. James A. Bennett, New York City, in place of Mr. Andrew MacLeish Glencoe, Ill., resigned.

4. *Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board:* Rev. Avery A. Shaw, Brooklyn, N. Y., in place of Mr. Andrew MacLeish, Glencoe, Ill., resigned

5. *Committee on Evangelism:* Rev. T. J. Villers, Detroit, Mich., was elected Chairman.

6. *Committee to Cooperate with American Bible Society in Arranging for its Centennial:* (p. 213, item 337.) Mr. F. Wayland Ayer, Camden, N. J.; Rev. M. J. Twomey, Newark, N. J.; and Hon. Edward K. Nicholson, Bridgeport, Conn.

7. *Committee on Correlation:* (p. 116, item 164(4).) Prof. F. L. Anderson, Newton Centre, Mass.; Mr. Ambrose Swasey, Cleveland, Ohio; Rev. H. C. Gleiss, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Rev. C. H. Sears, New York City; Rev. C. L. White, New York City; Rev. B. D. Stelle, Upland, Pa.; Rev. W. A. Davison, Burlington, Vt.; Rev. Frank Peterson, Minneapolis, Minn., and Miss Julia Dickerson, Chicago, Ill.

SECTION 6. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The Transportation Committee, appointed by the Executive Committee, has faithfully and efficiently served the denomination. The railroads have been very generous toward our denominational missionary activities. They have also shown their appreciation and approval of our systematic work by pointing out its advantages to other Christian bodies. The Transportation Committee has been exceedingly careful to try to equalize its services in the interest of our cooperating and affiliating organizations. Laws passed by some States limit the power of the railroads to grant free transportation within their borders. Accordingly, some State Conventions have not shared in the benefits of our work. This, however, is not at all due to lack of generosity upon the part of the railroads, nor to any failure on the part of your Transportation Committee. We desire to express our hearty gratitude toward the railroad companies for their unfailing courtesy, their great generosity, and the exceedingly pleasant relations we have had with their representatives.

II. MATTERS REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 7. RELATION OF AMERICAN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY TO THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY (pp. 212, 213, items 336, 337)

The Convention received an invitation from the American Bible Society inviting our cooperation through a committee in arranging for its Centennial Anniversary. (pp. 212, 213, item 336.)

This invitation was referred to the Executive Committee "with instructions to investigate the situation and report to the Convention next year, and with power to appoint the committee asked for if desirable." (p. 213, item 337.)

Your committee made careful investigation through a subcommittee, whose findings it adopted as follows:

"Your committee, appointed as a result of the discussion growing out of the invitation from the American Bible Society that the Northern Baptist Convention cooperate in the recognition in May, 1916, of the completion of one hundred years of service of the Bible Society to the churches (Annual, 1914, pp. 212-3); and of that portion of the annual report of the American Baptist Publication Society for the year ending March 31, 1914, which criticizes the attitude of the Bible Societies toward Baptists, was instructed to investigate and report to the Executive Committee regarding the discrimination against the Baptists indicated by the following extract from the above mentioned report (Annual, 1914, p. 654):

'It is becoming increasingly difficult to secure and distribute the Bible in foreign tongues. We could purchase in England the Bibles and Testaments that we need at a very much less price than we have to pay in this country, but the British and Foreign Bible Society refuses to fill American orders, turning all such business over to the American Bible Society, which compels us to pay an increased price. Foreign-speaking missionaries frequently complain to us that the Bible Society has raised the price of Bibles to them so that they cost more than the colporters of the Bible Society retail them for, and we are powerless to aid. Our people ought to know that the Bible Societies discriminate against Baptists.'

The committee now begs leave to report:

1. That conferences and correspondence with the representatives of the American Baptist Publication Society have elicited the following statements:

(a) With all the vast funds at its disposal, the American Bible Society does not print its foreign versions.

(b) That the publications of the British and Foreign Bible Society are distributed in this country exclusively through the American Bible Society.

(c) That the publications of the British and Foreign Bible Society can be bought in other lands much cheaper than in the United States.

2. In a letter under date of October 8, 1914, Dr. John Fox, Corresponding Secretary of the American Bible Society, admits the foregoing statements, but claims that under the trade arrangements between the American Bible Society and the British and Foreign Bible Society, it is not possible for the American Bible Society to sell the books here at prices which prevail abroad. He claims further that prices to the American Baptist Publication Society are exactly the same as to other like distributing agencies, and that the prices at which the books are sold in this country do not give a profit to the American Bible Society.

At the same time Doctor Fox admits that the British and Foreign Bible Society sells these same Scriptures in Continental Europe and elsewhere at greatly reduced MISSIONARY rates; and also that those who have purchased Bibles in Europe at these missionary rates afterward come to America and are surprised and sometimes displeased that the British and Foreign Society by agreement with the American Bible Society declines to furnish them books in this country at the rates at which they are sold abroad.

3. In further conference with the representatives of the American Baptist Publication Society, we were advised that in its report the Publication Society never made the statement that the American Bible Society charged the Publication Society more for Bibles than they charged other missionary organizations operating in this country, and that the Publication Society could not consent that there should be read into the language of its annual report a statement which it did not make and which it did not intend to make, adding, 'our statement is that the American Bible Society has made it difficult to distribute the Word of God in foreign tongues because of their repeated increases in price. We state that the American Bible Society charges for Bibles in foreign tongues almost, if not quite, twice what it would cost us to secure those Bibles and deliver them in this country, but that because of their trade agreement, we are prevented from securing those Bibles in the lands in which they are made. That statement is absolutely correct.'

4. Comparing the statements of Doctor Fox with those of the representatives of the American Baptist Publication Society, the only difference apparent to the members of your committee is that Doctor Fox claims that the prices prevailing in foreign countries to which reference was made are missionary prices, and made possible only through the use of funds contributed for missionary purposes, and that they are therefore not the proper basis for any trade arrangement.

5. Based on these findings, your committee has reached the conclusion that the appointment of this committee was due to an interpretation of the language of the report of the American Baptist Publication Society quite different from that which was apparently intended, and that the Executive Committee should therefore appoint a committee to act with like committees of other denominations for arranging the centennial of the American Bible Society.

6. It may not be improper for your committee to add the following additional findings, based upon definite statements made or confirmed by the representatives of the American Baptist Publication Society:

(a) It is a fact that it is becoming increasingly difficult to secure and distribute the Bible in foreign tongues. One difficulty is to find proper versions. In many of the foreign languages, only Roman Catholic versions are available. Two Bible Societies, viz., the Trinitarian and the Edinburgh, have been formed in Great Britain in protest against the policy of the British and Foreign Bible Society in circulating these Roman Catholic versions only. The versions published by these protesting societies are limited, because of their lack of funds.

(b) The second difficulty is financial—whereas the usual Bible discount in the trade ranges from 40 to 50 per cent, the American Bible Society has steadily lessened its discount to dealers until now it is 10 per cent only—insufficient in many cases to cover delivery charges.

(c) At the present moment, because of war conditions, it is absolutely impossible to secure the Scriptures from the American Bible Society in either the Hungarian or the Rumanian tongues at any price.

(d) While it is not claimed that the American Baptist Publication Society could under any circumstances print and supply Bibles at the prices at which corresponding Bibles are now sold abroad, it is apparently certain that were the Publication Society in position to print from its own plates, it could supply Bibles at very much less price than those at which corresponding editions are offered by the American Bible Society.

For instance, the Hungarian Bible in Budapest costs the reader approximately 37 cents. The American Bible Society charges 90 cents for the same book. It is claimed that the American Baptist Publication Society could put the same Bible into the missionaries' hands for 50 cents, after the first work was done; but the difficulty lies in the inability of the Publication Society to supply from its Bible funds the initial cost of plates and printing.

It is further claimed that could the Publication Society be put in position to make it financially possible to print the Scriptures in other tongues, there would be the assurance of a pure version, whereas now there are some tongues in which only the Roman Catholic version is available.

We are advised that $4,000 at the least would be required for the New Testament alone in a foreign tongue, but that it ought to be made possible to print and sell it for a dime for the sake of the people."

Accordingly the Executive Committee has appointed a Committee to cooperate with the American Bible Society in arranging for the observance of its Centennial. (See Section 4, Committee No. 6.)

Section 8. Plan for Annuities for Ministers and Missionaries

(Annual, p. 112, item 133.)

Supplementary report will be presented.

III. GENERAL CONVENTION INTERESTS

Section 9. Convention Seal

At the meeting of the Convention in 1911 the Law Committee on submitting the Act of Incorporation, recommended that the Convention authorize the Executive Committee to have made a seal with such device, words, and figures as to the Committee might seem fit, and that when such seal was approved by the Executive Committee it be the corporate seal of the Convention. A seal has been approved by the Executive Committee and it has thus become the corporate seal of the Convention.

The following is the design:



The wreath symbolizes eternity, and the laurel victory. 1910 is the date of the incorporation of the Convention. The representation of the earth symbolizes the inclusion of all the moral and religious interests of the world in our ideals and affections. The message which we Baptists bring to the world is indicated by a Bible open at Matthew 23:8-12:

"But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your teacher, and all ye are brethren. And call no man your father on the earth: for one is your Father, even he who is in heaven. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your master, even the Christ. But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be humbled; and whosoever shall humble himself shall be exalted."

The passage gives expression to what Baptists regard as basic principles. Its ideals avowed by our Baptist brotherhood as worthy of being made universal are our individual freedom in our Lord Jesus Christ (verse 9); our spiritual union in him (verse 10); and our service to all mankind in his name (verse 11).

Section 10. Convention Finances

Last June the Executive Committee appointed the Rev. Frank W. Padelford as the Financial Agent of the Convention to promote the raising of the Budget for Convention expenses. At the meeting of Secretaries of the

cooperating organizations held immediately after the adjournment of the Boston Convention, his work was presented, and he received from them offers of their aid. In December last he sent a letter to every Baptist pastor connected with our Convention explaining the reason for the apportionment to churches for Convention expenses, giving the items in the budget, indicating the importance of contributions by all the churches and appealing for their support. These letters were mailed from the offices of the various District Secretaries of our cooperating organizations since more accurate lists of the pastors were thus obtained. The cost of this, including first-class postage, was $262.47. This appeal was followed by a leaflet sent jointly with the Missionary Education Committee through various channels to all the pastors early in the month of March, 1915, making an effort to secure contributions for the Convention as well as for the cooperating organizations. Our share in this expense was $21.36. In the March issue of "Missions" a full-page appeal was also issued at a cost of $15.00. In eight of our denominational papers a half-page display advertisement for their issues of March 15-20 was inserted at a cost of $100.00. The total expense of appealing to the churches through these letters, leaflets, and advertisements was $398.83.

A reference to the Report of the Treasurer will show that the contributions from churches for the year ending March 31 amounted to $12,774.84.

The Executive Committee insists that the Convention must not base too serious conclusions upon the results of the last year's work by our Financial Agent. It must be remembered that this is the first year in which any practical appeal has been made to the churches. It is our conviction that the appeals must be continued for two or three years consecutively before we see any large response.

We call attention to the fact that while the Convention adopted a budget of $42,500 for its expenses during the past year, the total amount apportioned by the various State Apportionment Committees to the churches was only $38,000. Since there is no way by which such action can be prevented other than by the cordial cooperation of State Conventions with our work, we appeal to the State Conventions to support the work of the Northern Baptist Convention by insisting that State Apportionment Committees shall not decrease the apportionments which they receive from our General Apportionment Committee. Experience has proved that we cannot expect to receive from the churches any more than the amount apportioned, which, in all cases, is supposed to be a minimum. If State Apportionment Committees are to reduce the amount of the budget adopted by the Convention by ten per cent, the Convention must seriously consider the situation. Your Executive Committee cannot understand why representatives of churches and State Conventions assembled as the Northern Baptist Convention should adopt the budget for a specified amount and the same persons assembled as a State Convention should approve the action of State Apportionment Committees in reducing the amount of the budget previously adopted. We ask the Convention to give consideration

to this matter. State Apportionment Committees should seriously consider the responsibility they assume when they diminish the budget of the Convention after this budget has been adopted by the denomination at large.

Section 11. The Budget for 1915-1916

The following budget for the current Convention year ending March 31, 1916, after approval by the Finance Committee, has been adopted by the Executive Committee and is herewith submitted:

BUDGET OF THE NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, 1915-1916

A. Administrative Expenses

I.	Expenses of Los Angeles Meeting		$1,000
II.	Committees' Expenses:		
	1. Executive	$2,000	
	2. Finance	600	
	3. Transportation	200	2,800
III.	Officers' Expenses:		
	1. Corresponding Secretary, Convention Clerk, Treasurer, [illegible]		$1,000
	2. Treasurer's Office	200	1,200
IV.	Printing and circulation of Annuals above registration fees	2,000	$ 7,000

B. Convention Work

I.	Commissions:		
	1. City Mission	$ 100	
	2. Young People's Work	250	
	3. Social Service [illegible]	250	
	4. Moral and Religious Education	400	
	5. Denominational Day	250	
	6. Evangelism	250	$1,500
II.	Education Board	25,000	
III.	Apportionment Committee	2,500	
IV.	United Missionary Campaign Committee	7,500	
V.	Federal Council of Churches of Christ	1,200	37,700

C. Contingent Fund 1,000

Total for Convention Column of General Budget $45,700

Section 12. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer of the Convention herewith submits the following report:

REPORT OF FRANK L. MINER, TREASURER
April 16, 1914, to March 31, 1915

I. Receipts

Balance from published report			$ 9,781.22
1. (1) American Baptist Home Mission Society	$ 1,873.56		
(2) American Baptist Publication Society, Balance of 1% to April 1, 1914, and Sale of Annuals	110.01		
(3) Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, Balance of 1% for 1914 to April 1, 1914	20.05		2,003.62
2. From Churches			12,774.84
3. Donations by J. Walter Davis, Stamford, Conn.	$ 100.00		
Donations by Mrs. Harriet McCollough, New York City	5.00		105.00
4. First Baptist Church, Lincoln, Neb., support of Student Pastor			498.00
5. Boston Convention, Registration and Delegate Fees			3,322.57
6. Interest on Bank Balance			105.80
			$28,591.05

II. Disbursements

1. Boston Convention:			
(1) Printing	$ 297.26		
(2) Stenographer	72.06		
(3) Recording Secretary	233.06		
(4) Appointed Speakers	284.50		
(5) Program Committee	83.35	$	970.23
(6) American Baptist Publication Society, Annuals			2,253.66

2. Convention Officers:			
(1) Corresponding Secretary, Convention Clerk salary	$ 716.10		
(2) Postage, Stationery and Supplies	73.56		
(3) Treasurer, Expense Clerk and Accountant salary, including Treasurer's Bond	244.37		
(4) Recording Secretary expense	16.12		1,050.15
Convention Committees:			
(1) Denominational Day Committee expense	$ 392.22		
(2) Executive (Traveling expenses)	1,268.01		
(3) City Missions	3.75		
(4) Board of Education	13,446.58		
(5) Efficiency Committee	468.94		
(6) Commission on Coordination using various languages	6.75		
(7) Finance Committee	496.95		
(8) Moral and Religious Education Committee	525.01		
(9) Young People's Work	144.84		
(10) Relation of Northern and Southern Conventions	32.10		
(11) Committee on Correlation	180.10		
(12) Social Service	275.33		
(13) Transportation	295.43		
(14) Committee on Evangelism	141.75		17,667.76
Miscellaneous:			
(1) Cost of Collection in States	$ 59.95		
(2) Return of over remittances:			
Rev. W. H. Stevens	13.34		
Chas. A. Cook	9.00		
G. C. Albom	21.00	$ 103.29	
(3) Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America		1,200.00	1,303.29
Bank Balance	$ 7,649.73		
Less outstanding checks	2,303.77		5,345.96
			$28,591.05

DES MOINES, IOWA, April 10, 1915.

MR. FRANK L. MINER, Treasurer,
Northern Baptist Convention,
City.

DEAR SIR:

This will certify that you had on deposit in this bank in your account at the close of business March 31, 1915, the sum of Seventy-six Hundred and Forty-nine Dollars and Seventy-three cents ($7649.73).

Yours truly,

E. A. SLININGER,
Cashier People's Savings Bank.

1914-1915

(Ending April 1, 1915)

RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES BY STATES

Arizona	$ 12.00
California	276.70
Colorado	162.35
Connecticut	225.60
Delaware	36.81
Washington, D. C.	2.25
Idaho	33.30
Illinois	1,060.87
Indiana	112.13
Iowa	864.36
Kansas	313.52
Maine	233.00
Massachusetts	1,274.18
Michigan	921.11
Minnesota	390.39
Montana	9.00
Nebraska	298.13
Nevada	4.00
New Hampshire	93.45
New Jersey	923.55
New Mexico	1.00
New York	2,383.33
North Dakota	56.00
Ohio	615.12
Oklahoma	5.00
Oregon	49.49
Pennsylvania	1,021.59
Rhode Island	357.12

South Dakota	51.50
Utah	11.00
Vermont	249.74
Washington	150.15
West Virginia	170.43
Wisconsin	406.67
Total	$12,774.84

REPORT OF TREASURER OF GENERAL APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE

April 1, 1914, to March 31, 1915

Receipts

Balance March 31, 1914	$ 85.79
From American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (.3648%)	3,465.60
From American Baptist Home Mission Society (.2268%)	2,154.60
From American Baptist Publication Society (.0788%)	748.60
From Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society (.1423%)	1,351.85
From Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (.1873%)	1,779.15
From Above Societies for advertising	1,330.57
From Personal Offering	2.50
	$10,918.86

Payments

Expenses of General Committee:

Secretary's salary	$200.00	
Travel and other expenses	542.05	
Printing	24.49	
		$ 766.54

Expenses of State Committees:

Wyoming	$ 5.20
Minnesota	9.17
Montana	12.50
New Hampshire	13.70
Colorado	14.10
South Dakota	14.35
Wisconsin	18.50
North Dakota	19.20
Maine	22.38
Rhode Island	22.45
Nebraska	23.18
Vermont	25.09

Iowa	26.63	
Indiana	31.05	
Kansas	33.92	
Connecticut	36.01	
Ohio	36.01	
East Washington	37.25	
New Jersey	49.82	
Oregon	51.16	
Southern California	51.85	
Northern California	60.05	
West Virginia	69.28	
Pennsylvania	81.50	
Illinois	89.97	
New York	174.83	
		$ 1,029.15

Expenses United Missionary Campaign:

Salary John M. Moore, Secretary	$ 250.00	
Printing	704.85	
F. A. Agar, Salary	1,990.90	
F. A. Agar, Expenses	1,495.09	
Benj. Starr, Salary	750.00	
Benj. Starr, Expenses	344.91	
Travel, etc.	826.49	
Office expenses	759.94	
Newspaper advertising	1,711.75	
	$ 8,842.93	
		$10,638.62
Balance on hand this date		$ 280.26

Section 13. Application of General Baptist Convention

On March 5 your Corresponding Secretary received the following letter:

"Rev. W. C. Bitting, Secretary,
Northern Baptist Convention.

Dear Sir and Brother:

A series of communications initiated by me, and later carried through by me as the agent of the Indiana Baptist Convention, resulted in the General Baptists in Indiana entering into cooperation with this Convention, in which they are now entitled to representation and membership exactly as any other Baptists and Baptist churches. The record of the communications and of the action taken relative thereto by the Convention will be found in the Baptist Annual for 1914, pages 16 and 63.

In consequence of the proceedings thus recorded, I have been formally commissioned by the General Association of General Baptists of the United

States to communicate to the Northern Baptist Convention at its next annual meeting the desire of the said General Association for 'a more intimate relationship with the Baptists' through such cooperation as may be practicable with the Northern Baptist Convention. A regular certificate of such commission is now in my hands.

The General Baptists, as you are no doubt aware, are an organized body of Baptists whose field lies mainly along the valley of the Ohio in Indiana, Kentucky, and Illinois, and with a considerable distribution in the states west of the Mississippi. They have about 30,000 members, 500 ministers, a college, weekly newspaper, small organized missionary enterprise, and a vigorous organization for the promotion of Sunday-school work and for work among the young people. In every essential particular they are regular Baptists in spirit, doctrine, and order.

The negotiations are now in such form that this whole body of Baptists may be very readily added to the constituency of the Northern Baptist Convention, if the Convention itself is disposed to give encouragement to that end.

Under the impression that this matter ought to be brought to the notice of the Executive Committee of the Convention for its consideration; and that for this purpose this communication ought to be placed in your hands in view of your office as Secretary of the Convention, I am addressing you. All of the records and correspondence relative to this movement since its inception two years ago are in my possession and available for reference.

Through you, therefore, I request proper and earnest consideration of the commission with which I am thus charged, so that it may be properly brought to the attention of the N. B. C. at its next annual meeting. Will you kindly set this matter forward in the proper way, and if necessary advise me further?

Very fraternally yours,

U. M. McGuire."

To this letter he made answer as follows:

"Rev. U. M. McGuire,
610 Townsend St.,
Lansing, Michigan.

My Dear Brother:

I have received your communication of February 27, 1915, relating to 'more intimate relationship with the Baptists' and 'the constituency of the General Association of General Baptists of the United States.'

I beg to assure you of my deep personal interest in promoting the relations you outline in your letter, and also my opinion that the entire constituency of the Northern Baptist Convention will gladly welcome the General Baptists into fellowship with them.

In order that I may properly bring the matter to the attention of the Northern Baptist Convention through recommendations by its Executive

Committee, will you kindly furnish me with all the documents, or copies of them, relating to the following matters:

(1) Correspondence with the Indiana Baptist Convention and the action of that State Convention. I have no copy of the Baptist Annual for 1914, to which you allude.

(2) Copy of your Commission issued by the General Association of General Baptists of the United States.

And any other documents that will bear upon the situation.

So soon as I can get this material I shall prepare a formal statement for the members of the Executive Committee and make proper presentation of the matter.

I beg to assure you of my heartiest interest in furthering this union of our great Baptist family. With kindest regards, I am,

Yours fraternally,

W. C. BITTING,
Corresponding Secretary."

March 3, 1915.

Inasmuch as the Indiana Baptist State Convention at its meeting held in 1913 took the following action:

"*Delegates to Other Baptist Bodies.* On motion by Rev. S. L. Roberts, the following resolution was adopted, appointing Rev. U. M. McGuire as a fraternal delegate to other Baptist bodies in Southwestern Indiana:

"*Resolved,* That Rev. U. M. McGuire, who has been appointed by the Evansville Association a fraternal messenger of that body to communicate with other Baptist bodies in Southwestern Indiana, with a view to a more perfect, mutual understanding, to a closer fellowship, and to such cooperation as may be found practicable, be and is hereby authorized to represent this Convention also, as its fraternal delegate for the same purpose."

And inasmuch as the Northern Baptist Convention has heretofore authorized the acceptance of credentials from local churches of Free Baptists:

(1) We recommend that the credentials in proper form of delegates appointed by churches of the General Baptists, in accordance with Article I (a) of the By-Laws, be accepted by the Enrolment Committee; and that the Local Registration Committee be instructed to issue delegates' cards to all who may present such credentials;

(2) And we recommend that the Convention hear a statement from the Rev. U. M. McGuire, representing the General Convention of the General Baptists;

(3) And we also recommend that steps toward cooperation with the General Baptists be taken by local churches, district associations, State Conventions, and general denominational organizations now in the constituency of the Northern Baptist Convention in such practical and fraternal ways as these bodies may determine.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

First Session

10.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Address of Welcome. Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher.
President's Address.
Meetings of Cooperating Societies:
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
American Baptist Home Mission Society.
American Baptist Historical Society.
Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.
Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
American Baptist Publication Society.
Report of Executive Committee.

Second Session

2.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of Executive Committee.
Report of Finance Committee.
Report of Apportionment Committee.
Report of Committee on Evangelism.
4.00 Meeting of State Delegations to nominate members of committees.
4.30 Election of Committees.

Third Session

8.00 Northern Baptist Convention.
Three Addresses. General Theme: "The Life We Need."
Special Topics:
"Its Source." Rev. C. M. Gallup, Rhode Island.
"Its Energy." Rev. F. E. Taylor, Indiana.
"Its Ruling Principle." Rev. W. H. Geistweit, California.

THURSDAY, MAY 20

Fourth Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of Committee on Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations.
Rev. H. A. Heath, of Massachusetts, to present his views.
10.15 Report of Board of Education.
Address by Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minnesota.
12.00 American Baptist Education Society.

Fifth Session

2.00 American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
Opening Exercises.
Address: "The Work of the Board of Managers." Prof. E. D. Burton, Vice-chairman of the Board.

Statement regarding the Financial Policy of the Society. Henry Bond, Chairman of the Board.
Open Parliament.
Addresses by Missionaries.

Sixth Session
8.00 American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
Opening Exercises.
Address by President C. H. Jones.
Addresses by Missionaries.

FRIDAY, MAY 21

Seventh Session
9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
10.00 Report of Committee on City Missions.
Report of Committee on Correlation.
Report of Committee on Conference with Southern Baptist Convention.
Report of Committee on Conference on Faith and Order.
11.00 Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board.

Eighth Session
2.00 American Baptist Home Mission Society.
Business.
Two Addresses: "Our Work Among Spanish-speaking Peoples." Rev. G. H. Brewer; Prof. G. N. Brink.
Church Edifice Work.
Business.

Ninth Session
8.00 American Baptist Home Mission Society.
Illustrated Lecture on Work Among Foreign-speaking Peoples. Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Troyer.
Address on "The West." Rev. H. J. Vosburgh, New Jersey.
Stereopticon Views of Western Missions. Rev. C. A. Wooddy. Oregon.

SATURDAY, MAY 22

Tenth Session
9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of Committee on Denominational Day.
Report of Committee on Moral and Religious Education.
Report of Committee on Young People's Work.
Report of Committee to Cooperate with First Baptist Church in Boston.
Report of Laymen's Missionary Movement.
11.30 American Baptist Historical Society.

Eleventh Session

2.00 Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.
President's Address. Mrs. A. G. Lester.
Business.
Three Addresses:
"Head, Hand, and Heart." Mrs. G. W. Coleman.
"The Baptist Woman in the Church To-day." Mrs. L. A. Crandall.
"A Tale of Ten Cities." Miss Lyde Jenkins.

Twelfth Session

8.00 Joint Session:
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and
American Baptist Home Mission Society.
Address: "The Task of American Christianity as Related to National Life." Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, New York.
Address: "American Christianity and the World Situation." Dean Shailer Mathews, Illinois.

SUNDAY, MAY 23

Thirteenth Session

9.15 Northern Baptist Convention.
Convention Prayer-meeting.
10.30 Convention Sermon. Rev. C. H. Jones, Washington.

Fourteenth Session

2.30 Young People's Session. Rev. C. D. Case presiding.
Four Addresses:
"The Young People's Department of the American Baptist Publication Society." Rev. G. T. Webb, Pennsylvania.
"Baptist Young People and the Social Opportunity." Rev. S. Z. Batten, Pennsylvania.
"The Pacific Coast Young People: Their Opportunities and Call to Larger Service." Rev. W. K. Towner, California.
Address. Rev. W. S. Abernethy, Missouri.

Fifteenth Session.

8.00 Northern Baptist Convention.
Three Addresses. General Theme: "Northern Baptist Convention Ideals as Suggested by the Convention Seal."
Special Topics:
"Freedom." President L. W. Riley, Oregon.
"Union." Rev. A. H. C. Morse, Colorado.
"Service." Rev. T. J. Villers, Michigan.

MONDAY, MAY 24

Sixteenth Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of Delegates to Federal Council.
Report of Committee on Social Service.
Report of Committee on Nominations.
Election of Officers of Convention and of the Cooperating Organizations in the following order:
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
American Baptist Home Mission Society.
American Baptist Historical Society.
Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.
Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
American Baptist Publication Society.

Afternoon Arrangements by Local Committee.

Seventeenth Session

8.00 Joint Session:
Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society and Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
Program of Home Society:
Address: "The Call to Service." Miss Helen R. Crissman.
Address: "Training for Efficiency." Rev. W. P. Behan.
Program of Foreign Society:
Presentation of Candidates for the Foreign Field and Service of Consecration.
Address. Mrs. W. T. Elmore.

TUESDAY, MAY 25

Eighteenth Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of Committee on State Conventions.
Report of Committee on Foreign-speaking Bodies.
Report of Committee on Reports of Cooperating Organizations.

Nineteenth Session

2.00 Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
Annual Message of the President. Mrs. W. A. Montgomery.
Presentation of District Officers, with a brief report from each district.
Addresses of Missionaries.

Twentieth Session

8.00 American Baptist Publication Society.
President's Address. Rev. J. W. Brougher, California.
Presentation of the Report of the Board.
Address: "Two Decades." Secretary A. J. Rowland, Pennsylvania.
Address: Subject to be announced. Rev. Cortland Myers, Massachusetts.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

Twenty-first Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of Committee on Plans for Raising Debts.
Report of Committee on Transportation.
Report of Brotherhood Council.
Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Twenty-second Session

2.00 American Baptist Publication Society.
Election of Officers and other Business.
Messages from Missionaries.
Address: "The Publication Society and Its Possibilities." Rev. P. C. Wright, Pennsylvania.

NOTE

DEVOTIONAL MEETINGS

The Committee on Evangelism has arranged for Devotional Meetings to be held each day of the Convention at 1.15 p. m. and 7 p. m. These will be conducted by Rev. W. B. Hinson, Oregon.

37. On motion of Rev. Delavan Dewolf, of New Jersey, the report was received.

38. On motion of Rev. H. F. Stilwell, of Ohio, the tentative program presented by the Executive Committee was adopted, subject to such changes as might be made by the Committee on Order of Business.

39. On motion of R. B. Griffith, of North Dakota, the proposed budget of the Convention was adopted.

40. On motion of Rev. S. E. Ewing, of Missouri, the report of the Treasurer was adopted.

41. On motion of Rev. J. F. Vichert, of Rhode Island, the consideration of the recommendations in the report was postponed until the afternoon session.

42. On motion the Convention adjourned.

SECOND SESSION, *Wednesday, May 19, 2 P. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

43. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

44. On motion of Dr. J. A. Bennett, of New York, recommendations (1) and (3) in the report of the Executive Committee were adopted.

45. Secretary L. A. Crandall presented the following recommendations of the Executive Committee:

(1) That the Convention recommend the recognition of the five hundredth anniversary of the martyrdom of John Huss on July 6, 1915.
(2) That the Convention recommend the recognition of the four hundredth anniversary of the Protestant Reformation on October 31, 1917.

46. On motion of Dr. J. A. Bennett, of New York, recommendation (1) was adopted.

47. On motion of Rev. M. H. Day, of Illinois, recommendation (2) was adopted.

48. The following report of the Finance Committee was presented by Rev. C. M. Gallup, of Rhode Island:

Report of the Finance Committee

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

Your Finance Committee herewith presents the following report for the year 1914-1915.

The Committee for the year was composed of the following members:

Term expiring 1915: T. E. Barkworth, Jackson, Michigan; Wallace Buttrick, New York City; George D. Finlay, Montclair, New Jersey.

Term expiring 1916: Clarence M. Gallup, Providence, R. I.; Ransom E. Olds, Lansing, Michigan; Robert L. Scott, Evanston, Ill.

Term expiring 1917: Trevor Arnett, Chicago, Illinois; Raymond B. Fosdick, New York City; D. C. Shull, Sioux City, Iowa.

The officers of the Committee for the year were Wallace Buttrick, chairman; Trevor Arnett, secretary.

Two meetings were held during the year: At New York City, February 4 and 5, 1915, and April 15 and 16, 1915.

The Committee, having considered carefully the budgets presented by the representatives of the several cooperating Societies, presents herewith

the coordinated budget for 1915-16, appended to this report, with the recommendation that it be adopted by the Convention.

The amount of the budget is practically the same as last year, the amount to be apportioned to churches, young people's societies, etc., is, however, $21,766 more than the year before, and the amount estimated as receipts from individuals $9,684 less. It is gratifying to report that the receipts from the apportionment for last year, while not fully equal to the amount expected, were yet in excess of the amount received the year before. But in the case of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, and the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society the aggregate receipts were not sufficient to meet the expenses, there being a combined deficit of about $43,000. There is a surplus of $4,789 on hand from the amount raised to pay off the debts as of March 31, 1914. If this is credited to the present debts they will be reduced to $38,554.79. Steps are being taken to raise this amount before the Convention meets; and it is confidently expected that it will be done, so that it may then be said that all the cooperating Societies are out of debt. If this result is attained, your Committee feels that with the increasing care now exercised in making conservative estimates of receipts, and with rigid operation within the appropriations allowed, the day of deficits will be over. Your Committee moreover does not share the belief prevalent in some quarters that a deficit is a stimulus to giving; it may be used as a lever to force gifts, but spontaneous giving is not encouraged by it.

As heretofore the Convention Budget includes expenses for "Extension Work," especially that of the Education Board, as well as the administrative expenses of the Convention, the latter being $8,000 and the "Extension Work" being $37,700. This Committee believes the denomination does not fully understand that the Convention is presenting a budget including other than administrative expenses, and possibly many are surprised that the cost of the Convention has grown so large. The facts are, the expenses of the Convention are practically the same as the last two or three years, but because of the item of $25,000 for the Board of Education and other items for various Boards and commissions of the Convention being included in the Convention Budget, the aggregate seems large.

Your Committee in recommending this budget does so, on the understanding that the total amount which is to be apportioned to churches will be so apportioned, and it strongly urges the State Apportionment Committees to cooperate in apportioning to the churches in the several States the amounts given to the States by the Apportionment Committee. The results of the past year fully justify the wisdom of the apportionment plan. Under it the amounts received from churches have increased constantly; and your Committee feels that if the plan could be supplemented by stimulating the missionary interest of the churches on the spiritual side by informing them of notable happenings on the field and the needs

there in a concrete manner from time to time, the plan could be made much more effective. This Committee repeats the suggestion which it made last year that the executive officers and Boards of the several co-operating Societies, in conference with the Finance Committee, should take immediate steps to present the work and needs of our societies to the churches.

It is a source of pleasure to be able to report that following the suggestion of this Committee made last year, payments were made to the societies during the year by churches and individuals earlier than usual, but nevertheless an altogether too large proportion was left until the last few days of the year. This makes it necessary for the societies to borrow money at interest in order to care for the current expenses until the receipts come in, and it also makes it impossible for the officers of the societies to make any prediction as to the possible outcome of the year until it is too late to retrench if need be. Your Committee would, therefore, urge again the desirability of the payments to the societies being made monthly, or at the latest, quarterly. Until the time arrives that the remittances are made frequently and early enough to provide funds to meet the needs of the societies as they mature, there will be need of an adequate working fund to care for the expenditures until the receipts come in, and the Finance Committee recommends that the societies undertake to raise by specific gifts working funds adequate for their needs. The funds should be invested in good interest-bearing securities which can be used as collateral for loans when needed, and when not so needed may be held in the treasury and the income used for current purposes.

At the request of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society authorization has been given to include as a specific a working fund of $25,000 in each of their budgets.

During the past year your Committee inaugurated the plan of visiting the offices of the several societies and inspecting the methods used in their financial administration. In accordance with this plan members of the Committee visited the offices of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society at Boston, and the American Baptist Publication Society at Philadelphia. It hopes to pursue the plan further the coming year and visit the other societies. By doing this it feels that it may be useful to the societies and the denomination, and can more intelligently pass upon the financial matters presented to it for consideration.

It was with regret that the Committee learned of the decision of Mr. MacLeish to withdraw from the Committee at the expiration of his term in 1914. Mr. MacLeish had been chairman of the Committee from the beginning and had rendered invaluable service to the denomination.

Respectfully submitted,

WALLACE BUTTRICK, *Chairman,*
TREVOR ARNETT, *Secretary.*

April 28, 1915.

COORDINATED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1915-16

Approved by Finance Committee April 15-16, 1915

	Foreign Missions		Home Missions			Northern Baptist Convention		Totals
	A.B.F.M.S.	W.A.B.F. M.S.	A.B.H. M.S.	W.A.B.H. M.S.	A.B.P.S.	M. & M. B. F.	General	
I. Gross Budgets (not including Specifics).....	$926,838	$329,341	$599,125	$242,000	$225,194	$76,000	$45,700	$2,444,198
II. Less amounts expected from legacies, income from permanent funds, annuity bonds, specified gifts, etc.....	179,982	27,050	177,950	34,000	92,950	13,500		525,432
	$746,856	$302,291	$421,175	$208,000	$132,244	$62,500	$45,700	$1,918,766
III. Less amounts to be solicited from individuals.....	275,000	54,616	125,000	20,000	24,000			498,616
IV. Balance for apportionment to churches, young people's societies, Sunday-schools, women's circles, etc	$471,850	$247,675	$296,175	$188,000	$108,244	$62,500	$45,700	$1,420,150
V. Special items*	$62,568	$27,000	$41,570	$25,000	$9,350			$165,488

*Special Items, to be spent for the purposes indicated only if raised as specials.

49. On motion of Rev. C. D. Gray, of Illinois, the report was received.

50. On motion of President D. B. Purinton, of West Virginia, the budget recommended in the report was adopted.

51. On motion of Rev. L. L. Henson, of Colorado, the report was adopted.

52. The following report of the Apportionment Committee was presented by Rev. A. S. Carman, of Ohio:

Report of the General Apportionment Committee

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

We have come to the end of the seventh year of the working of the apportionment plan, which was adopted in pursuance of one of the two great outstanding objects of the Northern Baptist Convention in its organization, viz.: the unification of our missionary task through a closer correlation of our missionary activities. Parallel with this purpose was that of unifying the denomination itself, giving it a voice at times when it had been dumb or incoherent; and, in situations where it had been bound hand and foot, loosing it and letting it go.

That it has been going to some purpose during the past year is evident from the record of achievement in the midst of unparalleled disturbance of world-conditions. Counting the great gifts which wipe out the missionary debt, the year has seen probably the largest giving to our missionary objects of any in its history. Many forces have combined to this result, and among these the work of the Apportionment Committee may claim a modest place.

Outline of the Year's Work

The Apportionment Committee met for organization for the year 1914-15 at Boston, June 24th, electing Dr. F. P. Haggard chairman and reelecting Secretary Carman and the Treasurer, Mr. D. G. Garabrant.

Late in the Convention at Boston the appropriation for this Committee was increased from $6,500.00 to $10,000.00 in order to provide for the enlarged work of the United Missionary Campaign. The Secretary was directed by the Committee to make research into the records of the Northern Baptist Convention from the beginning in order to trace the relation of our Committee to the Convention during that period. The report was made at the meeting of the Committee in New York, September 23rd, and by direction of the Committee typewritten copies were prepared for each of its members and one was furnished the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention. From the closing paragraphs of that report the following sentences may be of interest:

"It appears from the foregoing study that the Northern Baptist Convention has perfected much of its mechanism, accomplishing marked changes through the coordination of our missionary work, and setting in operation important commissions, boards, and committees for its extra missionary activities. It has expressed its desire to take the lead in movements for the removal of missionary debts and the enlargement of resources for our missionary societies, and its wish to place able secretaries in charge of its educational and social activities. It has strongly emphasized its desire to meet, out of its own treasury, the expenses of all Convention Committees.

"But, as a matter of fact, the denomination has not thus far responded to the apportionment call on behalf of the Convention with sufficient funds to finance even the work of its committees. Although an Educational Secretary has been appointed, that expense and the expense of the committees has been largely met by an assessment upon the missionary societies through an arrangement temporarily made, but twice renewed. The principal societies have paid out in the past year about $20,000.00 for the work of the Northern Baptist Convention or its committees, a minor fraction only being for purpose promotional of missionary objects.

"All of this situation would be changed if the churches would but meet the apportionment for the Convention, for it is ample enough to cover the work of all the committees, that of the Apportionment Committee being included in the $42,000.00 asked for the coming year."

It may be added that now at the close of the year the Northern Baptist Convention reports an increase of about two-thirds on the amount given last year on its apportionment, though still less than one-third of the $42,000.00 apportioned has been given by the churches.

The Secretary prepared and sent out to the Secretaries of State Conventions in early September a request that they give prominence in their State Anniversaries to the apportionment, and he furnished each State a comparative schedule of their apportionments and receipts for each of the societies for three years past.

A brief meeting of the Committee was held at Cleveland, December 8, in connection with the meeting of the State Convention Secretaries. It was there voted to ask the Convention, through the Executive Committee, to relieve our Committee of financial responsibility for the work of the United Missionary Campaign Committee, reducing our appropriation to $2500.00 for the coming year.

The Committee met February 5th in New York, in connection with a joint conference of our Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Committee on Relations of Cooperating Organizations. The joint meeting was appointed by the Executive Committee of the Convention to consider the question of "Over Apportionments." In connection with this subject the conference took action, calling attention of State Conventions and Apportionment Committees to provisions of the By-Laws whereby affiliated State Conventions obligated themselves to receive and distribute the apportionment sent them by the Apportionment Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention. The Secretary of the Apportionment Committee

was directed by the joint conference to send a report of this action to all members of State Apportionment Committees, to State Convention Secretaries, and District Secretaries; and he has sent out more than 300 letters containing this report.

The Apportionment Committee met April 16th in New York for the final determination of the apportionment to the States on the basis of the decision of the Finance Committee after full reports of the preceding year were received. The sum of $1,420,150.00 was apportioned to the States, and the schedules were all sent out to the different States by April 20th, the date appointed by the Convention at Boston in June, 1914.

Many considerations seem to make it important that at this time a somewhat careful presentation should be made of the working and outlook of our apportionment plan at the end of its seventh year.

Criticisms of the Apportionment Plan

The double emergency calls of our missionary work during the past year, the first lasting throughout nine months and appealing for the removal of more than a quarter of a million of accumulated debt upon our societies, and the strenuous effort during the remaining three months of the year to avoid the disaster of a new deficit, have very naturally drawn attention to, and awakened criticism of, the methods of administration of our missionary work. Perhaps the attention drawn is well worth all of the criticism awakened, since the deadly peril of all missionary work is indifference. Some of our best people have been inclined to give hearty assent to a proposed plan of beneficence and then complacently dismiss the subject and turn "the one to his farm, the other to his merchandise," expecting the plan to be automatic and to require no attention from them, the Secretaries being expected to touch up the mechanism with a little oil when necessary. Among the methods which come in for their share of criticism is the Apportionment Plan.

Early Ideals and Hard Experience

There was a fascinating simplicity about our early conception of it. The societies were to present to the Northern Baptist Convention their budgets of necessary expense for a year, including their accumulated debts and to add a surplus for working capital, and the Convention was to revise this through its Finance Committee and then simply to distribute the gross amounts among the States and the churches. When the churches knew just what was needed and what part was expected of them it was assumed that they would give willingly and amply. It was only because of our unsystematic and uncorrelated methods that our business men failed to give.

So it seemed in advance, but the outcome proved that the apportionment method had no magic for transforming the disinterested into the

interested, the lazy into the industrious, the stingy into the generous, the uninformed into the intelligent. To expect it was like the illiterate Negro's assumption that spectacles would automatically enable him to read. The apportionment is a splendid device to aid an intelligent missionary interest in functioning, but it can never be a substitute for that interest.

A Concrete Case

One apparently cogent criticism of the Apportionment Plan is that it provides no means of arousing this missionary interest, since there is no great enthusiasm about percentages and a budget and no spiritual unction about a bi-pocket envelope. The stir and flame of the old periodic missionary appeal, followed immediately by a collection for the particular object presented, seem sadly lacking in the perfunctory contribution to a vague general cause, the amount to be distributed according to certain percentages among eight or ten different objects, often not even named upon the envelope. This criticism seems utterly justified, but it should first be noted, that it is not properly directed against the apportionment method but against the whole plan of weekly envelope giving, a plan which has been in wide use for years longer than the Apportionment Plan, and which has so much to commend it that almost no church which has fairly tried it is willing to abandon it. It should be noted, secondly, that while it is true that the weekly giving method may be, and at times is, employed with a neglect of the educational and inspirational presentation of missions, this is wholly an unnecessary evil. Many churches provide fully for the educational and inspirational side of missions. Indeed this is made possible in a stimulating, informing, and even fascinating way undreamed of in former years.

Modern Methods of Missionary Inspiration

Our missionary societies individually and our Missionary Education Department for them all furnish a wealth of aid to this end. There are dignity, breadth, and unity to a remarkable degree in our missionary training work of to-day. Study-classes master the contents of splendid text-books; illustrative lantern slides are sent out to churches desiring them; missionary committees aim to stir up intelligent enthusiasm in every department of church life; our Sunday-school publications make much of missions; our young people's societies have their monthly missionary topics, and a pastor can bring out on Sunday or at the midweek meeting missionary facts and inspiration all the more effectively since they are not the mere basis of an appeal for an immediate collection but rather a report to the stockholders upon the conditions of their great missionary enterprise. And as for the women, they have transformed the old-fashioned mission circle into a charming blend of the best characteristics of a revival meeting, a woman's literary club, and an afternoon tea. Surely the pastor who complains of lack of missionary inspiration in his church is furnishing an indictment of his own efficiency.

Multiplying Our Missionary Promoters

The question naturally may be raised whether our District Secretaries have been too far removed from the churches. The joint secretarial service required of them often doubles or trebles their responsibility, and the unifying of our work perhaps prevents their presenting either foreign or home missions as passionately and invidiously as did the old secretaries of a single society. But if these joint secretaries can all of them pursue the method of a secretary of the New England District, who represented three societies, there can be only congratulation and no regret at the change of method. Instead of relying upon the presentation of missionary appeals at public meetings, usually held on Sundays, which method would have required years for covering his district, he systematically visited the churches, gathering small week-day conferences of their leading men and infusing into them as well as into the pastors the new and broad conception of missionary duty and missionary methods. Other secretaries doubtless are working similarly and, instead of two or three secretaries with a somewhat limited and exclusive missionary appeal, we are coming to have in each district hundreds of missionary promoters, both pastors and laymen. That the ideal is not attained at once, or to an equal degree in all districts, is not surprising.

Some of the Gains of Our Present Method

We are in some danger of forgetting the large advantages which have accrued to the denomination in its missionary work since the origin of the Northern Baptist Convention. In these seven years, we have gone far toward the unification of our missionary task. For the interest of the kingdom this is a great forward step. We have the denomination as a whole seriously attempting the evangelization of the whole world, beginning at our Jerusalem. This widening of vision would be worth all of our effort if there were no actual enlargement of the work itself, as there has been.

The apportionment, while not accomplishing great results automatically or immediately, has yet been an educational process of marked value. For example: In the past six years in Ohio the number of contributing churches which met or exceeded the apportionments to the A. B. F. M. S. has increased from 74 to 171, and in Indiana from 98 to 171. Six years ago only 15 per cent of all churches in Ohio met their apportionment. This year 33 per cent (more than double the proportion) did so in Ohio, while in Indiana the increase was nearly the same, viz.: from 19 to 34 per cent. The entire field shows advance in a somewhat similar way. The gain of having a set goal, of firing at a mark instead of spraying the atmosphere with desultory bird-shot, is clearly seen. The total results of our work for the period of our apportionment, while far from fulfilling our ideals, yet indicate steady progress. It should be borne in mind that a twofold

object has been held in view, viz., *to increase the objective* and yet *to make the apportionment approximate the practical standard of what seems possible to obtain from the churches.* We have been striving after what is so essential a factor of efficiency in gunnery, a range-finder. We are trying to get the range of denominational giving. To this end we must avoid overshooting the mark to such an extent as to cause antagonism and the ignoring of the apportionment, and equally to avoid a weakness of aim which drops helplessly short of our ability and need. In the seven years of history of the apportionment we at first found a hopeless discrepancy between the aim and possible achievement. Aim and achievement were brought closer to each other during the succeeding years by the gradual reduction of the amount asked and the increase of the amount obtained. Last year the amount asked began again to be increased until we are now approaching the large amount asked at the beginning, but with results which at last approximate the aim. From this point onward we should be able to make steady progress.

The unification of our denominational missionary task is the chief gain of the Apportionment Plan. To take kingdom-wide views tends to a larger and nobler type of Christianity in our churches. This, of course, is upon the assumption that the splendid promotional processes which we have named are being carried on in some fair measure in each church.

Some Limitations of the Apportionment Plan

The danger already mentioned that pastors and churches may expect the apportionment to raise itself automatically is a real, even if wholly avoidable one. Yet it was easier for the most of our churches to escape missionary responsibility under the old haphazard method than now. Contingencies of weather, local debt, pastoral vacancies, and the varying degree of missionary interest on the part of pastors made results uncertain.

In cases where, by the old method, one gave his missionary money to but one or two missionary objects, and now with the new method divides practically the same amount amongst a number of objects, the result is bound to be somewhat unsatisfactory to the society or societies which previously received the whole. Yet such cases are probably not numerous nor important, as by the weekly system of giving the great majority find themselves able to give far more largely than by the old single-offering method.

One Serious Limitation

Perhaps the most serious limitation on our Apportionment Plan is the fact that our budget system appears to set rather rigid limits upon the asking of the great natural missionary causes under its supervision and to place them under a system which discourages the presentation of the concrete claims of a given object, while the anti-saloon league, local charities, earthquake, fire and war sufferers, and the visiting preacher who

wants aid in building a new church are given a far freer hand than before, seriously interfering with the regular budget. It is probable that this condition will seriously affect our regular missionary work until our churches shall in all cases provide an emergency fund in their budget, as some of them now do, and provide for extra offerings out of this fund, allowing special appeals only in the most exceptional cases. It is to be noted also that our State Conventions participate in all the benefits of the apportionment, but are wholly free from the restrictions as to the amount they shall ask, whereas the national societies are rigidly limited in this regard by the Northern Baptist Convention.

The Problem of Initiative and Final Appeal

The question who shall determine the apportionment is an important one, and not as simple as it at first appears. In one sense, the Northern Baptist Convention, which is the one common representative of all Northern Baptists, determines the missionary budget and the part thereof which shall be apportioned to the churches, and determines also the amount to be assigned to each society. The General Apportionment Committee is not at liberty either to increase or decrease this apportionment, but it has discretion as to its distribution among the States and is, by the terms of the Northern Baptist Convention's Constitution, charged with the comprehensive duty of taking measures to carry the apportionment into effect. This promotional work it has for the past two years turned over largely to the Missionary Education Movement and to the cooperating Societies. There remain still to it, in addition to its direct work, many offices of mediation between the societies and the State Conventions and the duty of studying into the working and various methods of the apportionment system.

The State Apportionment Committees are by the terms of affiliation, expressly stated in the By-Laws of the Northern Baptist Convention, bound to distribute among the churches of their States the apportionment handed down to them by the General Apportionment Committee. On the understanding that the apportionment is a minimum, below which the churches should not fall, but above which they are not only free, but are urged to soar, it has been assumed that the State Committees could increase the apportionment for any given society at their pleasure.

The Ultimate Units

In a most important sense it is the individual churches who determine the apportionment, since no authority compels them to meet its demands, and since the Northern Baptist Convention from the beginning has held the cooperating Societies to budgets based upon reasonable expectation, as indicated by what the churches have shown themselves willing to give. In the case of the ultimate unit, the individual church-member,

the independence of dictation and limitations is still more complete. The church is given a definite apportionment, though no power can compel its acceptance thereof, but in the case of the individual member no Baptist church even suggests to him the amount it thinks he should give. And it is these untrammeled and sovereign churches and members who determine what they will give, which in turn determines what the Finance Committee will apportion, which in turn determines what the General Apportionment Committee is to distribute among the States, which in turn determines what the State Committees are to *suggest* to the churches, which finally *has a tendency to determine* what the churches will ask their members, not individually, but in the mass, to assume. Thus the pyramid, fixed at its apex and in its upper courses, grows increasingly unstable until it rests upon a shifting and impermanent base. What would our government do if its taxes, which were levied to meet the definite demands of its budgets, must be distributed in absolute uncertainty whether the citizens would interest themselves in paying them or not?

The Baptist Principle of Voluntariness

But it should be remembered that this is the limitation which the Baptist denomination assumes as its fundamental principle, viz., voluntariness as opposed to all coercion of the individual. The Roman Catholic Church, the Mormon hierarchy, and some other types of religion, rigidly enforce church attendance and dictate to the individual the offerings he must give. The apparent results in pagan religions in the matter of attendance and gifts awaken the envy of the unthinking Christian, just as the instant success of an absolute Czar in temperance reform makes the impatient American reformer long for such a President of the United States. But the long look back through history still vindicates the Baptist and American principle of voluntariness.

And so it appears that even the apparent rigidity of the apex of our pyramid, the Finance Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention, rests upon the fluctuating base of autonomous Baptist churches and individuals. While within certain limits our organizations bind themselves voluntarily to certain action, yet the denominational principle of freedom is ultimately safeguarded in the church and to the individual member. It is a fair question whether the logical principle of a suggested apportionment might not properly be carried down to the individual and a church apportionment committee make a distribution of their budget among the membership. As it is, the every-member canvass attempts to secure from each member a voluntary pledge toward the budget. Perhaps this method of the voluntary assumption of a share of the budget could be carried up under the stimulus of an every-church canvass to meet the State apportionment and then of an every-State canvass to meet the national apportionment, and so arouse enthusiasm, generous emulation, and enlarged giving. Such a

method of subscription by States is used at the great Sunday-school conventions with remarkable success.

The Psychology of the Mass

It is very significant to note that the action of our autonomous Baptist units, the church and the individual, is by no means as utterly indeterminate as it would seem. When freely acting individuals are considered in the mass, it is found that on the whole they react to similar influences in similar ways, so that while the action of any individual is extremely uncertain, the action becomes increasingly determinable as larger and larger groups are considered. What one Baptist will do may be a dead secret between himself and his Maker, but what a thousand Baptists will do may be forecast with some accuracy from a study of past results and present conditions, and in the case of a million Baptists our leaders who make a study of the subject attain a surprising degree of prophetic accuracy, enabling them to know where and to what extent special effort should be applied to attain the desired results.

The Convention and the State Conventions

Our State Conventions have been finding themselves during the period of development of the Northern Baptist Convention. They have exploited new resources within their territory. They have widened their interest to include not merely State missions in the old sense, but the immigration and city mission problems within their borders, and even the work of American and foreign missions as well. Their affiliation with the Northern Baptist Convention and with its cooperating Societies has been a great source of strength to the denomination. Some of the State Conventions, however, have urged their right to determine what amounts should be asked of them for all missionary objects, and a resolution of the December meeting of the State Secretaries declares its belief that "the initiative in determining their share of the support of the National Societies as suggested by the Apportionment Committees of the Northern Baptist Convention, should be taken by the local State Conventions through their respective boards." This appears to be a denial of the reasonableness of the constitutional provision of the Northern Baptist Convention that affiliating State Conventions shall distribute the apportionment presented to them by the General Apportionment Committee. It is the right of any member of the Northern Baptist Convention to present an amendment to the Constitution, and it is certain that it will be very unfortunate to have our State Conventions feel that any unjust coercion has been placed upon them. In an important sense, as we have seen, the initiative in the matter of the budget is now taken by the churches, and the State Conventions are the bodies having closest touch and strongest influence with the churches. But the principle upon which the Northern Baptist Convention has been organized is that of securing the judgment of the denomina-

tion as a whole, rather than that of individual missionary organizations, or separate localities, upon questions directly affecting the denomination as a whole. It is inevitable that the interests of its own special work should loom most largely before each missionary society and each State Convention. To subject the work of the National Societies to the domination of the State Convention Boards would seem perhaps like subjecting the United States post-offices within a given State to the control of the State legislature.

It is certain, however, that a method can be found, if the present method cannot be properly adapted, for conserving all of the proper prerogatives of the State Conventions without sacrificing the vastly important principle of impartial general supervision of the one body, the Northern Baptist Convention, which stands for the whole denomination. It may be necessary to have conference between representatives of the Executive Committee, the National Societies, and the State Conventions, upon this subject of initiative and control in the apportionment.

SUMMARY

To sum up our study of the Apportionment Plan: We have not seen the fulfilment of all our early optimistic hope, yet the seven years show a gratifying advance in our missionary giving. There seems to be serious limitations upon the ideal efficiency of the plan, yet these are seen partly to belong to the whole method of weekly envelope giving and to result from indifference or inefficiency of pastors in neglecting the splendid provisions for missionary inspiration which are now available. For the rest, the dilatory advance is due to the fundamental Baptist conception, which makes the church and its members the ultimate arbiters of their own action. As to the problem of adjustment between the Convention and the State Conventions, we believe that it will work itself out in experience and through conference to the highest interest of the kingdom at large and of the various organizations concerned.

Adopted by the General Apportionment Committee, April 16th, 1915.

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REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE GENERAL APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE

April 1st, 1914, to March 31st, 1915

RECEIPTS

Balance March 31st, 1914	$ 85.79	
From Cooperating Organizations	10,833.07	$10,918.86

PAYMENTS

Expenses of General Committee	$ 766.54	
Expenses of State Committees	1,029.15	
Total Committee Expense	$ 1,795.69	
Expenses United Missionary Campaign	8,842.93	10,638.62
Balance on hand this date		$ 280.24

For detailed report see Report of Treasurer of Northern Baptist Convention.

RECORD OF APPORTIONMENTS AND RECEIPTS FOR SIX YEARS

	Amount Required by Budget	Apportionment	Received on Apportionment
1909-1910	$ 973,920	$ 973,920	$ 668,851 *
1910-1911	1,440,785	1,440,785	1,040,068
1911-1912	1,373,064	1,251,349	1,064,512
1912-1913	1,390,288	1,177,068	1,153,051
1913-1914	1,364,143	1,266.027	1,106,690
1914-1915	1,396,859	1,396,859	1,203,984

NOTE.—The amount apportioned to churches is only a part of the entire budget of the societies, which has a total of nearly two and a half millions annually. The report here given for 1914-15 includes for the first time the receipts of the M. & M. Benefit Fund and the Northern Baptist Convention Expense Fund. About $60,000 more was received on apportionment by the Missionary Societies than last year.

GROSS APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1915-1916

Approved by the Finance Committee

Apportioned to Churches, Young People's Societies, Sunday-schools, Woman's Circles, etc.

	Amount	Per Cent
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society	$ 472,790.00	36
Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society	247,675.00	17
American Baptist Home Mission Society	296,175.00	20
Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society	188,000.00	13
American Baptist Publication Society	108,244.00	7
Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board	62,500.00	4
Northern Baptist Convention	45,700.00	3
Total	$1,421,084.00	100

* The figures for 1909-1910 do not include those of the Woman's Societies.

APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1915-1916, BY STATES

	A.B.F.M.S.	W.A.B.F.M.S.	A.B.H.M.S.	W.A.B.H.M.S.	A.B.P.S.	M. & M.B.F.	N.B.C.
Arizona	$852.00	$366.00	$748.50	[illegible]	$258.50	$113.00	$37.00
[illegible]	9,625.00	1,915.00	6,580.00	[illegible]	2,150.00	1,000.00	173.00
California, South	18,187.00	4,500.00	11,352.50	[illegible]	2,100.00	1,972.00	806.00
[illegible]	6,500.00	3,000.00	4,165.00	[illegible]	1,700.00	1,000.00	599.00
Connecticut	11,500.00	6,000.00	7,825.00	[illegible]	1,650.00	2,600.00	1,008.00
Delaware	1,165.00	1,100.00	730.00	[illegible]	520.00	175.00	111.00
District of Columbia	3,500.00	3,200.00	3,120.00	[illegible]	400.00	200.00	555.00
Idaho	1,300.00	370.00	780.00	[illegible]	450.00	75.00	204.00
Illinois	30,000.00	18,500.00	17,715.00	17,525.00	7,000.00	6,000.00	5,636.00
[illegible]	12,255.00	6,500.00	9,050.00	6,200.00	4,500.00	2,000.00	1,444.00
[illegible]	13,362.00	5,820.00	8,695.00	5,000.00	3,250.00	1,300.00	1,365.00
[illegible]	11,282.00	6,165.00	7,210.00	4,800.00	2,950.00	800.00	1,337.00
Maine	7,300.00	5,000.00	4,970.00	4,000.00	1,600.00	1,000.00	629.00
[illegible]	57,000.00	30,035.00	31,545.00	20,000.00	8,000.00	3,000.00	3,938.00
Michigan	15,600.00	10,000.00	11,525.00	7,800.00	4,850.00	2,250.00	2,159.00
[illegible]	16,026.00	6,000.00	7,315.00	6,000.00	3,300.00	1,600.00	1,209.00
Missouri	10,000.00	3,300.00	5,440.00	2,100.00	1,560.00	.....	453.00
Montana	1,125.00	335.00	730.00	300.00	394.00	[illegible]	151.00
Nebraska	6,400.00	2,870.00	4,690.00	2,600.00	1,850.00	1,[illegible]	651.00
[illegible]	200.00	106.00	260.00	100.00	100.00	[illegible]	.....
[illegible]	4,912.00	3,405.00	3,120.00	2,700.00	875.00	[illegible]	519.00
New Jersey	23,589.00	16,000.00	17,191.00	10,000.00	5,700.00	4,[illegible]	3,835.00
New York	93,000.00	55,000.00	[illegible]	40,000.00	17,000.00	18,[illegible]	6,822.00
North Dakota	1,200.00	1,035.00	[illegible]	900.00	750.00	150.00	201.00
[illegible]	32,258.00	14,600.00	[illegible]	10,000.00	5,841.50	4,[illegible]	2,376.00
[illegible]	2,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,140.00
[illegible]	6,047.00	1,915.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	309.50
Pennsylvania	36,500.00	20,695.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	16,[illegible]	4,[illegible]	4,579.00
[illegible]	8,285.00	5,500.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	759.00
[illegible]	2,727.00	1,400.00	[illegible]	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	119.00	341.00
[illegible]	270.00	155.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	65.00	43.00
[illegible]	3,848.00	2,500.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	348.00
[illegible]	2,505.00	1,065.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	225.00	406.00
[illegible]	6,922.00	2,250.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,[illegible]	600.00	525.00
West Virginia	9,000.00	3,200.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	150.00	665.00
[illegible]	5,297.00	2,750.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,500.00	1,029.00
[illegible]	250.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	75.00	60.00
Totals	$473,[illegible]	$241,[illegible]	$[illegible]	$188,[illegible]	$108,244.00	$62,[illegible]	$45,700.00

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF APPORTIONMENTS AND

STATES	A. B. F. M. S.		W. A. B. F. M. S.		A. B. H. M. S.	
	Apportioned	Received	Apportioned	Received	Apportioned	Received
Arizona	$853.50	$590.25	$366.00	$288.40	$748.50	$566.05
California, North	9,625.00	7,227.88	1,800.00	1,660.54	6,785.00	4,740.87
California, South	18,187.00	17,847.13	3,865.00	3,467.76	11,838.50	10,614.14
Colorado	6,500.00	4,749.89	2,800.00	2,133.46	4,650.00	3,697.77
Connecticut	11,500.00	9,089.22	6,000.00	4,929.87	7,500.00	6,152.84
Delaware	1,110.00	912.50	855.00	756.66	731.00	591.82
District of Columbia	3,500.00	2,298.79	3,200.00	2,617.72	3,255.00	1,626.08
Idaho	1,120.00	1,040.53	345.00	249.07	810.00	702.90
Illinois	30,000.00	27,321.86	17,000.00	16,083.64	19,000.00	16,956.16
Indiana	13,255.00	10,585.87	5,928.00	5,387.10	9,214.00	7,030.83
Iowa	13,362.00	12,390.75	5,619.00	5,391.22	8,580.00	7,614.95
Kansas	11,282.00	8,499.33	5,800.00	4,320.79	7,407.00	5,168.62
Maine	7,300.00	9,841.62	5,000.00	4,658.70	4,796.00	4,891.54
Massachusetts	57,000.00	47,985.16	30,000.00	24,217.24	31,300.00	27,365.49
Michigan	15,600.00	16,340.06	9,100.00	8,789.21	11,050.00	9,357.59
Minnesota	16,026.00	15,083.38	6,300.00	5,839.08	7,458.00	6,008.43
Missouri	10,000.00	8,637.84	3,000.00	3,095.24	5,500.00	4,757.69
Montana	1,125.00	610.37	315.00	199.40	950.00	530.05
Nebraska	6,400.00	6,175.92	2,700.00	2,627.63	4,500.00	4,068.72
Nevada	200.00	185.28	100.00	82.85	279.00	241.00
New Hampshire	4,912.00	6,656.26	3,203.85	2,872.58	2,978.50	3,108.47
New Jersey	23,589.50	21,845.06	13,027.00	12,939.75	18,616.50	15,894.54
New York	93,000.00	76,548.55	50,000.00	45,549.64	65,000.00	49,784.22
North Dakota	1,200.00	848.43	975.00	927.80	1,000.00	647.33
Ohio	32,258.00	24,579.43	13,400.50	14,296.57	19,808.00	13,979.75
Oklahoma	2,300.00	2,780.30	.....	.....	2,325.00	3,303.53
Oregon	6,047.70	4,334.03	1,802.02	1,588.91	4,106.90	3,041.97
Pennsylvania	35,000.00	31,778.53	20,000.00	17,448.52	24,287.00	22,363.68
Rhode Island	8,285.94	7,752.79	5,207.00	4,572.86	5,749.02	4,724.88
South Dakota	2,727.00	2,585.81	1,226.00	1,255.44	2,362.00	1,841.81
Utah	270.00	176.24	144.35	108.75	270.00	214.14
Vermont	3,848.00	3,631.08	2,500.00	2,659.06	2,550.00	2,375.68
Washington, East	2,505.00	1,470.62	1,000.00	683.02	1,160.00	795.20
Washington, West	6,922.00	4,638.57	1,730.00	1,433.96	3,691.00	2,409.15
West Virginia	8,608.00	7,905.96	2,000.00	3,399.30	6,250.00	5,804.61
Wisconsin	6,297.00	5,557.74	3,750.00	3,733.22	3,232.00	2,758.54
Wyoming	250.00	209.79	110.00	81.45	279.00	207.45
German Churches	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,892.45
Miscellaneous	.....	.....	.....	12.08	.....	.....
Totals	$471,964.64	$410,703.82	$230,168.72	$210,358.49	$310,016.92	$257,830.94

Receipts for the Year Ending March 31, 1915.

W. A. B. H. M. S.		A. B. P. S.		M. & M. B. F.		N. B. C.	
Apportioned	Received	Apportioned	Received	Apportioned	Received	Apportioned	Received
[illegible]	$111.41	$258.50	$556.37	$113.00	$78.50	$37.00	$12.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	1,900.00	2,354.60	1,100.00	797.25	570.00	276.70
[illegible]	[illegible]	2,859.00	2,947.99	1,867.50	1,523.38	918.00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	1,700.00	1,825.42	1,100.00	1,078.13	640.00	162.35
[illegible]	[illegible]	1,650.00	1,620.05	2,529.50	2,386.97	1,931.00	225.60
[illegible]	[illegible]	471.00	659.47	157.00	73.64	71.00	36.81
[illegible]	[illegible]	500.00	.....	330.00	3.75	372.00	2.25
[illegible]	[illegible]	330.00	447.81	50.00	38.08	75.00	33.30
[illegible]	[illegible]	6,900.00	6,041.50	6,600.00	3,326.95	3,200.00	1,060.87
[illegible]	[illegible]	4,353.00	4,164.48	.....	1,923.55	600.00	112.13
[illegible]	[illegible]	3,169.00	3,081.84	1,275.00	1,247.48	1,275.00	863.36
[illegible]	[illegible]	2,767.00	2,981.07	.....	325.70	1,000.00	313.52
[illegible]	[illegible]	1,600.00	1,393.27	1,100.00	69.57	811.00	233.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	7,500.00	7,106.25	.....	572.22	3,700.00	1,274.18
[illegible]	[illegible]	4,500.00	4,852.08	1,950.00	2,270.00	1,300.00	921.11
[illegible]	[illegible]	3,125.00	2,813.33	1,348.00	834.05	1,165.00	390.39
[illegible]	[illegible]	1,500.00	1,270.02	.....	25.00	500.00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	350.00	404.70	100.00	36.00	25.00	9.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	1,800.00	1,964.05	900.00	870.20	300.00	298.13
[illegible]	[illegible]	100.00	108.40	30.00	6.00	20.00	4.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	883.00	867.58	491.50	344.60	459.00	93.45
[illegible]	[illegible]	5,514.00	5,679.86	4,758.50	5,507.80	2,067.00	923.55
[illegible]	[illegible]	17,000.00	12,712.46	17,500.00	15,308.71	9,000.00	2,383.33
[illegible]	[illegible]	550.00	1,156.25	275.00	67.40	102.00	56.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	5,776.00	5,506.37	3,982.00	3,219.80	1,625.00	617.12
1,000.00	1,311.90	.....	.....	.....	7.00	.....	5.00
1,566.50	[illegible]	1,544.50	2,093.53	507.80	273.34	294.45	49.49
[illegible]	[illegible]	15,500.00	15,895.50	1,500.00	1,402.34	3,600.00	1,021.59
4,112.00	[illegible]	1,506.29	1,439.20	923.66	515.61	1,111.16	357.12
1,006.00	[illegible]	650.00	866.31	113.00	27.60	113.00	51.50
144.35	[illegible]	135.00	143.81	80.90	27.75	35.40	11.00
2,200.60	1,914.45	950.00	936.53	540.00	34.40	425.00	249.74
800.00	[illegible]	400.00	645.77	120.00	395.52	190.00	150.15
1,208.50		1,444.00	1,544.97	385.00		497.00	
1,400.00	1,561.69	3,300.00	3,425.01	110.00	15.00	544.00	170.43
3,000.00	3,144.04	1,825.00	1,661.24	1,000.00	1,496.00	650.00	406.67
100.00	119.70	200.00	157.06	110.00	10.00	25.00	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	198.22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	$104,509.29	$101,324.13	$52,947.36	$45,139.29	$28,348.01	$12,774.84

STATE APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEES

April 1, 1915

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F. R. Barber, Warrens.
Sands V. Hart, Racine.

53. On motion of L. M. Webb, of Maine, the report was received.

54. On motion of Rev. A. S. Carman, of Ohio, it was voted that the Committee, in accordance with its request, be relieved of financial responsibility for the work of the United Missionary Campaign Committee.

55. On motion of Rev. H. F. Stilwell, of Ohio, and after discussion by Secretary J. M. Moore, the report was adopted with the following note appended to page 12:

The figures for 1909-1910 do not include those of the Woman's Societies.

56. Rev. C. M. Gallup, of Rhode Island, addressed the Convention upon the question of the distribution of apportionments.

57. The following report of the Committee on Evangelism was presented by Rev. T. J. Villers, of Michigan:

Report of the Committee on Evangelism

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

Your Committee on Evangelism this year urges an immediate return to the New Testament method—"every disciple a discipler." Pastoral and personal evangelism is the only kind that is sufficiently extensive. Valuable as is the work of professional evangelists, they are so few as compared with the fields to be reached. The pastor must become his own evangelist, and every member of his church a missionary. There is no evidence that Jesus ever meant to make ordained ministers responsible for the total output of saved souls, or to substitute the church as a corporate agency for individual effort. In the days that followed Pentecost, the rank and file of the membership, with a consuming passion to win men to their Lord, went everywhere preaching the word. We most earnestly recommend, therefore:

1. That every pastor within the bounds of this Convention be urged to gather about him a group of his members for study in the art of soul-winning; using, if he will, some such text-book as Trumbull's "Taking Men Alive." Such classes, intelligently and prayerfully taught, will raise up a body of trained workers who will multiply the pastor's efficiency and make it possible for the church to have a continuous ingathering.

2. That an Evangelistic Committee be appointed not only for every State and association within the State, but also in every local church. The business of this last named committee, a layman preferably being chairman, shall be to enlist, so far as possible, the entire membership in "a win one campaign." If all or even a large proportion of the million and a half of members in the twelve thousand churches under this Convention could be

set aflame with the evangelistic spirit, multitudes of those who are being saved would annually be added to us. Your Committee will be glad to furnish printed suggestions to all who may desire such assistance.

3. That we take advantage of the enthusiasm incident to a simultaneous movement, and request all our churches to make the evangelistic note dominant between Thanksgiving and Easter. Let them begin earlier if they wish and continue later if they will. But at least between those two dates let evangelism have the right of way.

4. That during the coming year we give special attention to evangelism in our one hundred and eighty-seven thousand Bible-schools, with their membership of more than a million one hundred thousand; carefully working up toward such dates as Decision Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years, Easter, and June Sunday. When we consider the difficulty of persuading men and women to confess Christ publicly by baptism, Baptists of all people ought to be most interested in winning the boys and girls. Methods that have been tried and found successful will be furnished to superintendents.

5. That we request the American Baptist Home Mission Society to inaugurate and promote such a continuous pastoral and personal campaign among all our churches, and that the several State Conventions through their secretaries be requested to cooperate with the Society in this movement also. We profoundly wish that a Superintendent of Evangelism might be appointed at once; but in the absence of such a leader, we believe that very much can be done through existing agencies.

THOMAS J. VILLERS,
JAMES A. FRANCIS,
JOHNSTON MYERS,
MORNAY WILLIAMS,
H. WYSE JONES,
J. WHITCOMB BROUGHER,
W. C. COLEMAN,
W. B. RILEY,
Committee.

58. On motion of Dr. J. A. Bennett, of New York, the report was received.

59. On motion of Rev. W. A. Davison, of Vermont, and after discussion by Rev. J. W. Brougher, Rev. H. L. Morehouse, Rev. C. H. Sears, and Rev. L. C. Barnes, the report was adopted.

60. Rev. M. A. Levy, of New York, presented a resolution relating to the function of the Committee on Evangelism.

61. On motion of Rev. L. B. Moore, of West Virginia, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

62. Secretary L. A. Crandall presented the following recommendation of the Executive Committee:

That the Convention approve the plans for the observance of June first as Baptist Day at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

63. On motion of H. E. Wilkinson, of California, the recommendation was adopted.

64. The following report of the Brotherhood Council was presented by Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania:

Report of the Brotherhood Council

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The Brotherhood Council herewith respectfully submits its report.

The Council notes with satisfaction the increased interest in Brotherhood work in the churches. Two things are noteworthy: a growing interest on the part of men in the work of the kingdom, and a growing desire on the part of the churches to organize the men for study and for service. Many things indicate that the men are enlisting more fully and directly for active service in and through the churches; and the churches are seeking to enlist the energies and talents of the men in a direct and fruitful way.

Several things have become quite clear to us. The local church must be free to organize its men in such ways as circumstances may warrant. The Brotherhood Council is a fellowship of all men's organizations in Baptist churches, and it is not interested in one local name or form above another. The Council believes that the inspiration of every successful and efficient organization must be the Bible class; and so it urges every organization to maintain a class for careful study. The Council also believes that the men should be organized for direct service in the church, in the community, in the world-wide work of the kingdom. We have therefore sought to stimulate the organization of the men in the churches along these lines, and to suggest both courses of study and lines of activity.

The Council has sought to secure the creation in a number of States of a commission on men's work to stimulate an interest in the churches and to serve as a bond of denominational fellowship. Through the Department of Social Service and Brotherhood of the American Baptist Publication Society it has enlisted the cooperation of the Directors of Sunday-school Work in the various States. In this way the organization of men's Bible classes and church Brotherhoods has been promoted, and many organizations have been guided both in studies and in activities. The secretary of the department spends much time in the field, cooperating both with the State Brotherhood men and the Directors of Sunday-school Work. The American Baptist Publication Society maintains headquarters of the department in Philadelphia, and thus is rendering the churches

a large service. Requests for literature and information come daily from all parts of the land. Many leaflets bearing upon both study and service have been distributed during the year. We call special attention to a new and helpful leaflet issued as a bulletin, "The Gospel Team."

The Council records with satisfaction the statement adopted at a Conference of Brotherhood leaders and adult class men held at Buffalo, December 15 and 16, 1914.

In the light of the present conditions in the churches with regard to men's organizations and work, and in view of the need:

A. To conserve the work already done by Brotherhoods, Bible classes, leagues, clubs, etc.;

B. To conserve the energies of men through avoiding duplication of organization and progress; simplification of organization; increased efficiency;

C. To cover the whole field of men's needs and responsibilities;

D. To reach every congregation with a men's organization—

We recommend as a practical ideal toward which all churches are invited to work, an organization under the general direction of the local church leadership of men of the congregation, in which a proper program of religious training to meet the needs of the men shall be provided, and through which a complete program of Christian activities shall be undertaken.

The form of organization may be:

A men's department of the church, or
An organized men's Bible class, or
A men's organized Bible-class department, or
A Brotherhood, or
Any similar organization which meets the needs of the local church.

In view of the present situation in communions where the ideal as presented above is not now practicable, we recommend as a step in the direction of this ideal the affiliation of all existing organizations of men within the local congregation, under a general representative committee, responsible to the leadership of the church, and charged with the task of correlating the social, educational, and service programs of these existing organizations.

We recognize that no one of these organizations can be vital or permanent without adequate instruction in the holy Scriptures, social fellowship, and a comprehensive program of Christian service for the individual, the community, the nation, and the world; believing that the objectives in study and service need to be definitely stated, we recommend that steps be taken to determine what the curriculum of study and programs of service should be.

We recommend also:

1. The affiliation of such organizations within their own communion in communities, States, or Provinces, and nationally and internationally.

2. The federation of such organizations interdenominationally in communities, States, or Provinces, and nationally and internationally.

In accord with this action, we offer the following suggestions with reference to studies and activities:

The church, which we may call the training-school of the kingdom, is to train men for life and service in all the relations of life and all institutions of the kingdom.

Men are called to be citizens in the kingdom and to advance that kingdom in the world.

The kingdom of God includes all life in all of its relations and activities of life.

Men must be taught to do the will of God and seek his kingdom along the line of their daily work, and in and through the institutions of which they are a part.

Right living is social living and helpful service.

Any curriculum for men should be adapted to men.

The courses of study should preserve the balance in Christian thought, and should carry men around the circle of the kingdom's interests.

A Curriculum for Men

A balanced curriculum for men has four aspects and several courses of lessons.

I. *The Christian Life.*

The Christian life should be studied in its sources, ideals, development, relations, dangers, helps, obligations, virtues.

This may be done by direct lessons; there should also be studies dealing with Old Testament leaders, New Testament leaders, and leaders of Christian history.

II. *The Church.*

There should be lessons dealing with the church, in its beginning, history, missions, doctrines, management, membership, and duties. Also men should understand the relation of the church to the kingdom of God and to the other institutions of life as the family, the state, the community, the industrial order.

III. *Missions.*

There should be lessons dealing with missions in various phases, with the principles, methods, aims, history, achievements of missions, also with the study of peoples, needs of the world, and best ways of helping.

IV. *Social Religion.*

There should be lessons dealing with the following:

a. The Social Ideals of the Old Testament, the Social Ideals of Jesus.

b. The Social Relations of life, in the family, the church, the state, the community, and the industrial order.

c. Social Problems.

d. Social Institutions.

e. Social Activities.

f. The Principles and Program of Social Service.

Further information and fuller outlines are contained in a leaflet, "Social Studies for Adult Classes and Brotherhoods."

Winning Men

In many communities men have little interest in the churches, and the churches have few men in their congregations. In part, this may be due to the common indifference of men to the things of Christ. But in many cases it is due largely to the narrow horizon of the church. Many men are indifferent to the churches because the churches have a small program and offer no inspiring task. Men will respond to a large appeal, but will remain indifferent to a small appeal. Men will join the churches when the churches call them to a large undertaking and give them something worth while to do. In view of this, many churches need to reconceive their mission, reread their commission, give men a vision of the kingdom of God on earth, and summon men to the standard of Christ. We offer this description of a church given by Thomas Arnold: "The true and grand idea of a church is that of a society for making men like Christ, earth like heaven, and the kingdoms of this world the kingdom of God."

Trained Leadership

A church is not so much a field to work in as a force to work with. Since this is so the power of a church is measured less by the size of its congregation than by its efficiency in the kingdom. And the success of a pastor is told not alone in the number of converts, but in the workers who are enlisted. In all of our churches there are undeveloped and unused resources and talents; and as a consequence few churches are exerting more than a fraction of their possible power. We believe in the priesthood of all believers; we believe that every man who has received a gift is under obligation to use it in the service of the kingdom. We cannot therefore too strongly commend to all pastors the importance of seeking out talents, discovering abilities, training leaders, and setting men to work for the kingdom.

Activities

There are several phases of our work which are vital at this time, and we commend these to the attention of our men.

Evangelism—The Gospel Team. Every man who knows Christ should seek to bring others to him. In Kansas and in other Western States remarkable work has been done by the Gospel Team, and in Pennsylvania the men of Brotherhood adult classes in many communities have had an active and fruitful part in evangelistic campaigns.

Missions. To-day, as never before, we are realizing the meaning and scope of the missionary enterprise. In every church the men should be directly enlisted in this great enterprise; they should study missions, and should have an active part in the every-member canvass. In many churches the Brotherhood has carried this canvass to a successful issue.

Boys' Work. The boys of to-day are the men of to-morrow. The quality of to-morrow's citizenship is determined by the boyhood of to-day. The power of the church is measured by the way it wins and holds and trains boys for kingdom service. Boys follow an example. They imitate the men. Boys need help and counsel, but they need brothering more than all else. Some churches have achieved notable results in their work for boys, and are both saving the boys and insuring a strong church to-morrow. We cannot too strongly commend this work to the attention of our men, and urge them to know what is being done in some churches, and then study their own situation and meet the need.

Community Service. The regenerate life demands a regenerate environment. The regenerate man who is satisfied with unregenerate community conditions is denying the faith. Several things are vital at this time.

Temperance Education. The remarkable growth of temperance sentiment makes the present hour crucial in the temperance campaign. Will we as a people complete our task and destroy the liquor traffic in America within the next few years? Or will we fail to meet the call of the hour, relax our effort, and thereby give the evil traffic a longer lease of life? The Federal Council of the Churches has planned a nation-wide campaign of temperance education and pledge-signing. We most strongly commend this to the attention of our men, and urge them to push the campaign in every community. The Department of Social Service and Brotherhood will gladly furnish information and pledge-cards.

The good Christian is a good citizen. It is necessary that Christian men play their part as citizens, and make the principles of Christ regnant in human society. The Brotherhood Council has prepared a Voter's Pledge, which it submits to our men, and bespeaks their hearty cooperation in promoting this practical effort.

The men should have a part in every effort that makes for community redemption and civic righteousness. The questions of housing, the social evil, recreation, and industrial conditions demand attention, and deserve our fullest effort. Any effort that will help any person in any way is the translation into deed of some article of our Christian faith.

Brotherhood, Industrial and International. Broken brotherhood lies at the root of our industrial strife and international wars. The cure for this strife and warfare must be found in the recognition of human brotherhood and the adjustment of human relations. There is an urgent call to the men who believe in brotherhood to illustrate this principle in their lives, to bring all things to this test, and to make it real in the life of society. Brotherhood must be a faith, a chivalry, a passion before it can ever become a reality in industry, in the nation, and among the nations. Questions of industrial strife and international relations most vitally concern our men. There never was such a demand for brotherly men as to-day; and there never has been such an opportunity for brotherly service.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. We commend to all pastors and leaders the desirability, not to say the necessity, of organizing the men for study and service in such form as circumstances may warrant.

2. We recommend that the men of our churches consider afresh their missionary obligation, and that they cooperate most heartily in the Laymen's Missionary Campaign this year, and in the every-member canvass.

3. We urge the men of our churches to promote in every possible way the work of temperance education and pledge-signing.

4. We commend to the attention of our men the words of Christ, "Blessed are the peacemakers," and ask that they seek to promote industrial peace in society and international peace throughout the world.

65. On motion of F. C. Nickels, of Minnesota, the report was adopted.

66. Secretary L. A. Crandall informed the Convention of the death of Rev. B. A. Greene, of Illinois.

67. Rev. J. M. Stifler, of Illinois, offered prayer.

68. President E. S. Clinch declared a recess until 4.30 p. m., that the State delegations might meet to nominate members of committees of the Convention as provided in the Standing Resolutions.

Northern Baptist Convention

69. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch at 4.30 p. m.

70. The Recording Secretary read the names of committeemen nominated by the State delegations, as follows:

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Reports of Cooperating Organizations

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Rev. John Snape, Spokane, Wash.
Rev. L. J. Powell, Grafton, W. Va.
C. E. Cornue, Delavan, Wis.
Miss Alice Holliday, Laramie, Wyo.

71. On motion of Rev. L. A. Sharp, of Michigan, the persons named were elected members of the several committees as nominated.

72. On motion of Rev. S. E. Ewing, of Missouri, it was voted,

That we instruct the Recording Secretary to wire Rev. W. C. Bitting, Corresponding Secretary of the Northern Baptist Convention, our sincere regret that it is impossible for him to be with us this year.

73. On motion of Rev. W. A. Davison, of Vermont, the Convention adjourned to meet at 8 p. m.

THIRD SESSION, *Wednesday, May 19, 8 P. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

74. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

75. On motion of Rev. J. F. Vichert, of Rhode Island, the following program for Thursday, May 20, was adopted:

Fourth Session

9.00 Convention Business Session.
Report of Committee on Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations.
Rev. H. A. Heath, of Massachusetts, to present his views.

10.15 Report of the Board of Education.
Address by Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minnesota.

12.00 American Baptist Education Society.

Fifth Session

2.00 American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
Opening Exercises.
Address: "The Work of the Board of Managers." Prof. E. D. Burton, Vice-chairman of the Board.
Statement regarding the Financial Policy of the Society. Henry Bond, Chairman of the Board.
Open Parliament.
Addresses by Missionaries.

Sixth Session

8.00 American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
Opening exercises.
Address by President C. H. Jones.
Addresses by Missionaries.

76. Three addresses were delivered upon the general theme "The Life We Need."

Rev. C. M. Gallup, of Rhode Island, addressed the Convention upon "Its Source"; Rev. F. E. Taylor, of Indiana, upon "Its Energy"; and Rev. W. H. Geistweit, of California, upon "Its Ruling Principle."

77. On motion the Convention adjourned to meet Thursday, May 20, at 9 a. m.

FOURTH SESSION, *Thursday, May 20, 9 A. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

78. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

79. Rev. F. P. Hunter, of New York, offered prayer.

80. The minutes of the Convention (Items 1-73 inclusive) were read and approved.

81. Secretary L. A. Crandall presented a letter with greetings from Secretary J. H. Franklin.

82. On motion of Henry Bond, of Vermont, it was voted that the Corresponding Secretary pro tem reply to the letter of Secretary J. H. Franklin in a cablegram of sympathy in his illness.

83. The following report of the Committee on Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations was presented by Rev. R. M. West, of New Jersey:

Report of the Committee on Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

In the two years since its creation by your enabling act at the Detroit Convention in 1913, your Commission has devoted itself seriously and carefully to the task assigned it by the Convention.

You decided that the function of the Commission should be "to consider the question of the desirability and possibility of centralizing all our societies in one place, consonant with the interests and legal requirements of all existing trusts, and after full and careful study in company with efficiency experts to advise the denomination through the Northern Baptist Convention what course to pursue with respect to its home mission work and by what means it is possible in any society to increase efficiency." (Annual, 1913, pages 161, 162.)

In fulfilling that function we have sent out questionnaires, interviewed individuals, opened correspondence with many and attended to voluntary approaches by mail from not a few, and studied the organization and activity of other evangelical denominations. We have also secured accurate information respecting the organization, office force and accounting system of our three general societies, learned their methods of directing and recording their various activities, informed ourselves respecting salaries and expenses of all kinds, and the nature and quality of service rendered to each of our general societies by any officer or employee.

In as thorough a manner as was possible, we have sought to become accurately informed respecting the matters committed to us. We come to you now with our results, confident that they are consistent with existing facts and conditions and that our recommendations will justify themselves in the course of years; at the same time we are thankful that it is not possible for them to be hastily either accepted or rejected.

In the first place we wish to declare, after what is perhaps the most extended and scrutinizing study into the life and action of our general societies which has ever been made, that we do not find a situation which warrants criticism of any official or opposition to any Board of Managers, but we do find that disconnected centers of life and action have developed with a very natural sectionalism and not having always a full appreciation of the many changes and developments taking place outside of themselves. Consequently we now find a need for some positive and constructive measures calculated to unify and coordinate our denominational organizations in order that our life may become even more creative and fruitful.

Duplicate Home Mission Activities

The first step in reconstructive organization should be taken in the field of home mission activity. As is well known to all, one of our great societies exists wholly for the conduct of home mission work, and a second society devotes a large and increasing amount of its resources and energies to strictly home mission work.

From many sections widely scattered throughout the West comes the information that much of the work done by the Home Mission Society and the Publication Society is a duplication, as the representatives of both do a general missionary and evangelistic work on destitute fields with pastorless churches and with small churches having settled pastors; that workers of both societies enter new fields and open up the way for establishing a regular Baptist work; they also visit from house to house and distribute tracts and Bibles.

The literature of the two societies from which we quote below illustrates the fact of duplication.

First quotation: "194 churches have been organized, 155 new meeting houses have been built."

Second quotation: "8437 persons have been baptized. There can be no better record of Christian work."

Third quotation: "Anyone can learn that the . . . Society is the great evangelizing agency of Northern Baptists. From the outset the work of the Society has been primarily and distinctly evangelistic, its missionaries have reported 6,795 churches organized, 275,500 baptized, over 10,000,000 religious visits made, over 12,000 Sunday-schools organized . . . and a vast number of Scriptures sold and distributed."

Fourth quotation: "Great colonies of Italians and Portuguese are found and increasing numbers of Hindus and Japanese. To all of these alike the gospel message is absolutely unknown. Here is one of the greatest home and foreign missionary opportunities in the world. But what seems worst of all, though in reality it is no worse, here is community after community filled with our own people where no religious service of any description has ever been held."

Very few will be able to decide which of these quotations to assign to the Home Mission Society and which to the Publication Society. The number of like quotations can be greatly increased. These make it very clear that in thinking and planning the leaders of the two societies have many identical objectives, which fact fully accounts for the claim kindly but firmly made by many, that much of the work of the two societies in the field is identical and could be done with considerably more efficiency and economy if it were planned for and directed in one center rather than in two.

Competitive Activity

In January, 1912, the Committee on Home Base of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America said in their report, "Naturally, of course,

each Board is desirous of making the best possible showing to its constituency in its expenses, but a careful study of the question reveals the fact that through failure to adopt a uniform method of allocating and reporting expenses the Boards are actually working against one another and hence against the advance of interest in and giving for the kingdom as a whole." What was an innocent but harmful fact respecting the interrelations of the foreign mission societies of the different denominations is found quite pronounced in the interrelations of the Home Mission Society and the Publication Society. Both want to make a good showing, both want to make a strong appeal for funds, and in their natural efforts they unintentionally but actually weaken each other and sometimes are even led to utterances which tend to injure each other.

During the year closing March 31, 1914, the Publication Society spent more money than the Home Mission Society in fourteen different States of the Northern Baptist Convention, but this does not necessarily prove the superior efficiency or usefulness of the Publication Society. Practically all of the work for which the Publication Society is responsible is within the territory of the Northern Baptist Convention, whereas the Home Mission Society has extensive and expensive work in Alaska, Mexico, Cuba, Porto Rico, and among the freedmen to care for from its funds as well as its work within the Northern Baptist Convention territory proper.

The work of the Publication Society is smaller in volume and less extended geographically than that of the Home Mission Society and naturally calls for a much smaller budget, which is made even lighter to carry by the contributions from the publishing department. Its appeals none the less go to the churches of the entire Northern Baptist Convention territory, which is right, but the amount asked of each church is very much smaller than that asked for necessarily by the Home Mission Society, and for that very reason is more likely to be given. These facts have established an uneven balance in the financial successes of the two societies which is increasingly in favor of the Publication Society. In the three years ending March 31, 1914, the Home Mission Society received from maturing annuities and legacies $396,508.53, of which amount it turned over into permanent funds $89,969.70, the remaining $306,538.83 was expended as current funds for regular work, an average of more than $102,000 each year. During the same period the Publication Society received from the same class of resources $55,816.15, of which amount it set aside as permanent funds $37,300 and used for current purposes only $18,516.15. The relatively light load of work and smaller budget of this society as compared with the Home Mission Society permit it to covenant in the case of all annuity bonds that on their maturity their entire value shall go to permanent funds. Had the Home Mission Society established the same course respecting annuities, its debt March 31, 1914, would have been $60,500.95 larger than it was, for that amount of maturing annuities was expended for current purposes in the preceding three years.

During the five years from 1910 to 1914 the expenditures of the Home Mission Society within the Northern Baptist Convention territory for home mission purposes decreased about $61,000 while the expenditures for like purposes on the part of the Publication Society during the same period increased about $65,000.

With an easier financial situation, with all of its work constantly under the very eyes of the contributors, with its increasing capacity to outspend the Home Mission Society in many States, it is not marvelous that one man well informed respecting the situation should write, "the Publication Society is demanding dominant influence"; that another actively engaged in City Mission work should write, "the time is not far distant when there will be no work for the Home Mission Society"; that an effort was made to pass a resolution of this same general import at one of the State Conventions this past year. In fact the very circumstances which conspire to improve the conditions under which the Publication Society works, actually tend to increase the difficulties which confront the Home Mission Society, while the situation taken in its entirety is really "against the advance of interest in and giving for the kingdom as a whole."

Irritation Within the States

There is a judgment wide-spread among our State officials that there are too many outside and uncoordinated agencies operating within the State. That these all mean to be helpful and generally are helpful there can be no question, but there is grave question in many minds whether their help is either as uniform or as extensive as it would be if these outside agencies were less numerous and better coordinated. Why should a State in mastering its home mission task be asked to cooperate with two or even three distinct and uncoordinated home mission organizations, each of which has its own peculiar form of accounting and operating. The agitation now arising in various States respecting the relation of their executive officer to the Home Mission Society and the Publication Society is a fruitless irritation produced solely by the existence of duplicate organizations. The Home Mission Society appoints State Secretaries as its official representatives. The Publication Society believes that this when done affects their work within the State somewhat unfavorably, consequently they have asked one State Convention which was raising "from its own churches as much as is spent in mission work within its borders" to make its general secretary the independent representative of the State itself and without official relation to the Home Mission Society, and have declared their purpose to ask the same of other States when like conditions occur. This movement with respect to State Secretaries is indicative of the irritating effect within the State and upon each other of two organizations for home mission work. The Publication Society quite naturally feels that the appointment of State Secretaries as official representatives of the Home Mission Society in some measure discounts its own

privileges within that State, and in order to perfect its own work it purposes to effect from without a change of activities within the Home Mission Society.

Needless Officers and Machinery.

These two organizations, the Home Mission and the Publication Societies, with their duplicating provision for home mission purposes make it necessary to maintain duplicate offices with all the attending expenses, and a considerably larger force of officials and superintendents of various kinds than would be necessary if the whole work were directed from one rather than two centers. One treasury could handle the total funds of both societies more cheaply than two now handle them and at least as efficiently. The entire missionary and educational activities of the Home Mission and Publication Societies combined do not equal in point of money expended, workers utilized, schools directed and territorial distribution the work conducted by various Foreign Mission Societies, including our own. The bulk of work conducted by our Home Mission and Publication Societies does not necessitate the present double yet disconnected chain of offices, officers, and machinery.

In view of these and other similar facts, too numerous to be detailed in this report, it seems to your committee that there are remedial influences needed which it will not be possible to obtain by any sort of increased efficiency within these two societies. Indeed it is entirely possible that the more active each becomes, the more harmful will be the effect of each upon the other and the greater the dilemma of the general situation.

Shall We Move Our Foreign Missionary Society to New York?

The question of moving the headquarters of the Foreign Mission Society from Boston to New York has received close and careful attention by your Commission.

There are many arguments very sincerely and strongly urged against such a procedure. It is thought that to centralize both Home and Foreign Mission activities in New York or any one city would make it difficult if not impossible to properly man the Boards, that it would place too much influence in a single section, that it would reduce to a minimum that missionary enthusiasm which springs from active participation in the conduct of missionary affairs; that to move the Foreign Mission Society from Boston and New England would do great violence to the missionary tradition and sentiments of New England Baptists.

To remove the Foreign Mission Society to New York would save time, money, and energy. During four consecutive months last year the secretarial force at Boston spent among them fifty days in New York. This was made necessary by the fact that Boston is not the natural center of interdenominational and international foreign mission conference and New York is. There would be unquestionable advantage for our Foreign

Mission Society in being located at the place where converge the great world missionary movements of all kinds. There would also be denominational gain in having our Foreign and Home Societies such close neighbors that daily intercourse would increase the already existing consciousness that the nature, experience, and success of foreign and home missions are inextricably interlocked, that the kingdom of God near or far is ONE, and work for it is one in importance and significance to men and to God. To have them in one center will make possible perpetual improvement in organization and management. The matter of missionary publicity would be a simpler task, resulting in even greater attractiveness and power than at present; the accounting departments could be more easily and perfectly standardized and eventually perhaps unified.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In consequence of our findings respecting the condition in Home Mission affairs and respecting the change of headquarters for our Foreign Mission Society, as stated above, your Commission would repectfully recommend:

First: That the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the American Baptist Publication Society be consolidated into one organization under the name The American Baptist Home Mission and Publication Society; that the charter of this consolidation shall provide for and perpetuate all the trusts, properties, covenants, functions and activities now included under the charter of the Home Mission Society and under the charter of the Publication Society; that such a readjustment of the whole work be made as will group in distinct departments the lines of work which are analogous and bring all the several departments into harmonious cooperation and mutual support; that the editorial and publishing activities remain in Philadelphia and all other departments be established in New York; that the departments in both cities be made equally and fully amenable to one Board of Managers so constituted as to preserve the consciousness of both old societies in the one consciousness of the new society; and that the said Board of Managers of the American Baptist Home Mission and Publication Society hold at least one meeting each half year in Philadelphia.

This recommendation does not contemplate the transfer of the work and property of the Publication Society to the Home Mission Society or vice versa, but provides for the organization of an entirely new corporation under laws providing for it, which would combine in itself the history, responsibilities and purposes of both of these societies.

Second: We would also recommend that a committee of seven to consummate this consolidation be created from men having no official connection with either society; that this committee be instructed to accomplish its work with due care and promptness and that it be empowered to employ efficiency experts to set up the business and office mechanism; that this committee be authorized to secure the enactment of any appropriate

legislation which may be required; also that whatever expenditure this committee may find it necessary to make be drawn from the treasuries of the two societies pro rata to their budgets.

Third: Regarding the removal of the Foreign Mission headquarters to New York, your Commission believe the ultimate net result would be good; at the same time we believe that this action is far less important than the reconstruction of our home mission affairs and that the denomination should not undertake more than one reconstructive task at a time. We, therefore, recommend that no action relative to the removal of the Foreign Mission Society from Boston be taken at present.

We have made to each of the three general societies specific recommendations by conforming to which they will be able to increase their office efficiency and economy. These recommendations pertain:

First: To the business department of the Publication Society, providing for a general revision of the accounting system, the installation of complete cost system and the production of a larger volume of missionary literature for foreign-speaking people.

Second: To the Home Mission Society, providing for the regular annual audit of the accounts of educational institutions.

Third: To the Foreign Mission Society, providing for a uniform system of quarterly reports from each mission station and the need of special preparation of some missionaries to handle business details connected with field operations.

Fourth: To the three societies, providing for a uniform system of records and accounts, monthly reports from all missionary agents, and the regular annual audits of the accounts of all missionary collecting agencies.

Your Commission is convinced that no amount of simplified organization and increased office efficiency can unaided solve our denominational problems. The conditions which beset our missionary societies involve the spirit and method of life in the churches and individuals. Churches have frequently been selfish and fearful when the need of the hour was unselfish heroism; individuals have all too frequently seized upon trifling matters as valid excuses for meager giving to missionary work or for a complete withholding of funds. We believe that an earnest and systematic effort should be made to lead the entire constituency of this Convention to more earnest and frequent prayer; that our administration of our great trusts may be guided and blessed by the Holy Spirit, that our missionaries at home and abroad may be filled with power from on high, and that our churches may be moved by a great spiritual dynamic; that every officer of all societies may become more able to think of the work, its organization and success as something utterly apart from himself, his position or his prominence, that all sectional pride and every manner of divisive spirit may pass from us and that all may behold the kingdom of God as something distinct from all societies of whatever form and the societies as mere

agencies by which to win the kingdoms of this world for our Lord and to make the ends of the earth behold "the salvation of our God."

In the course of our study we have had clear vision of a number of goals not to be gained in a day or at a single bound but towards which the program of our denominational life is steadily moving on. When these goals are reached our denominational self-control will be greatly increased. Our Baptist people naturally and wisely shrink from any control of the constituency by a centralized authority, but that very commendable disposition has sometimes caused us to shrink from those changes in method which make for self-control—a true democracy. The recommendations submitted above by your Commission will, when accomplished, carry us considerably nearer to denominational self-control.

In making this final report your Commission wishes to gratefully acknowledge the prompt and gracious assistance rendered in every way by the officers and employees of the various societies; to thank all whose information or counsel aided us and to acknowledge our obligations to Messrs. Ernst and Ernst, certified accountants of New York and Cleveland, for their work in connection with the office affairs of the societies. These gentlemen have brought special fitness to our study and the head of the firm, Mr. A. C. Ernst, and those who assisted him in our work, are all Christian men in hearty sympathy with the cause of missions and their services have therefore been of special vaiue.

Respectively submitted,

CHAS. T. LEWIS, *Chairman*,
AMBROSE SWASEY,
RICHARD EDIE, JR.,
MILTON REMLEY,
REV. FRANK A. SMITH,
REV. RAYMOND M. WEST, *Secretary*.

84. Rev. H. A. Heath, of Massachusetts, a member of the Committee, addressed the Convention, dissenting from the report of the Committee.

85. President E. S. Clinch called the attention of the Convention to the resolution passed one year ago, relating to the report of this Committee. (Annual, 1914, p. 125.)

86. On motion of Rev. J. F. Herget, of Ohio, it was voted that the report be received and discussed, and that final action be postponed until the Convention of 1916.

87. The report was discussed by Secretary A. J. Rowland and Rev. W. A. Davison.

88. Rev. Delavan Dewolf, of New Jersey, moved that the life of the Committee on Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating

Organizations be continued until final action upon its report shall have been taken in 1916.

89. The motion was discussed by Rev. R. M. West, Rev. H. W. Smith, Rev. J. M. Wells, Rev. J. W. Brougher, and Rev. Delavan Dewolf.

90. On motion of Rev. F. B. Mathews, of California, it was voted to lay the motion on the table.

91. On motion of President C. A. Barbour, of New York, and after discussion by Rev. H. S. Johnson and Rev. J. W. Brougher, it was voted that the Convention proceed to the order of the day, and request the Committee on Order of Business to designate an hour for further discussion of the report.

92. On motion of Rev. J. W. Brougher, of California, it was voted,

That the Committee on Order of Business be instructed to make the discussion of the report the order for Friday, May 21, at 9.30 a. m., providing at least an hour and a half for that purpose.

93. Prof. E. D. Burton, of Illinois, Chairman of the Board of Education, stated that the report of the Board would be presented by its Secretary, Rev. F. W. Padelford, and discussed by Secretary L. A. Crandall.

94. The following report of the Board of Education was presented by Secretary F. W. Padelford, of Massachusetts:

Report of the Board of Education

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

This anniversary in Los Angeles marks the completion of four years of active service on the part of the present Board of Education. Called into existence by the Northern Baptist Convention at its session in Chicago in 1910, the Board spent the first year in a general study of the entire situation, which resulted in a reorganization of our educational forces at the Convention in Des Moines in 1911. Since that time the Board of Education has been actively and energetically attacking the problem presented to it by the Convention. The Board very early discovered that its first task must be to educate itself. It set about this work in a thorough and careful manner, determined to have a comprehensive knowledge of the whole situation, with the conviction that it could not ask for funds unless it could justify the appeal. While far from being completed, this study had progressed so well one year ago that the Board felt justified in entering upon a financial campaign.

Plans for the Financial Campaign

Our study disclosed the fact that while a few of our institutions are well-equipped and endowed, most of our colleges and schools are greatly in need of increased funds. It is impossible to determine just what the figures should be; but our estimates, reduced to the lowest terms, indicate that the immediate necessities would foot up to several million dollars, if the institutions are to respond in any adequate way to the demands of the present day.

At the Convention in Boston last June, therefore, the Board announced its plan for a campaign to raise these funds. The plan was heartily indorsed by the Convention, and the Board immediately elected a man whom we believe to be eminently qualified for the service, Dr. John S. Lyon, of Holyoke, Mass. Doctor Lyon resigned his pastorate, and was about to begin his work when the European war broke out last August. This produced such a serious financial situation that it seemed to Doctor Lyon and the men with whom he advised that to inaugurate the campaign under those conditions was to invite disaster at the beginning. Doctor Lyon, therefore, declined to accept the position at a time when it was evident that the campaign could not be undertaken. This situation, created by forces over which we had no control, brought disappointment and embarrassment to the Board. We had fully expected to devote our attention during the year to this great financial undertaking, and had hoped to be able to report to the Convention this year a distinct achievement toward the end of our ambitions and hopes. But baffled in this purpose, we have had to devote our attention to other lines of work. That we were wise in not trying to force the campaign upon the denomination in face of the conditions that existed has been the unanimous testimony of all men of affairs whose opinions we have sought. We desire it to be thoroughly understood, however, that our campaign has simply been postponed and not abandoned. To have struck for large sums this year would have been to court disaster, but we expect to pursue our effort vigorously just as soon as the financial conditions of the country warrant. We plan to have a man in the field very soon to begin a quiet financial work, and to lay the foundations for the larger work which is to follow as soon as practicable.

Forced to abandon our large plans for the year, we have found ample occupation in the prosecution of our other important task of educating ourselves and the denomination. We have practically completed our work of investigation, and believe that we now understand pretty accurately the educational situation in our entire field and are in a position to determine the lines upon which our work should be developed in any given territory.

An Educational Creed

At a recent meeting the Board adopted a declaration of principles which we have enunciated as our educational creed. We believe that the

statement sets forth with a good degree of accuracy the educational policies which we, as Baptists, ought to pursue. We quote the declaration in full.

1. We believe that any denomination of Christians which is to do its part in the world's work must have a trained leadership and an educated constituency. We believe that our first task, therefore, must be to develop an interest in education among our Baptist people.

2. We recognize that under present conditions a large majority of our young people are destined to secure their education in schools supported by the State. We believe it to be our duty, therefore, to develop every means possible to surround them with influences calculated to develop in them strong and effective Christian character.

3. We believe that, in addition to all the schools which States and municipalities may maintain at public cost, schools of higher learning under Christian auspices and influences should be maintained in all parts of the country. This is necessary both that there may be Christian schools in which our children may receive an education under most favorable conditions, and that the Christian church may have centers for the expression and development of its interest in Christian education.

4. We believe that the Baptist denomination must assume its full share of responsibility for the development and maintenance of such institutions.

5. We believe that the schools which are maintained by the Baptists must, in order to justify their existence, provide the facilities for a sound and thorough education, such as will fully warrant them in inviting the young men and women of our churches to come to them for training. We believe it to be our duty, therefore, to discover, to locate, and to develop in each section of our country, schools and colleges that shall maintain the highest ideals and shall provide an education of the highest standard.

We believe that these principles are so self-evident that they need no argument or defense. It may not be amiss, however, to discuss them briefly, since they are to determine our educational policy.

Our Need—An Educational Passion

It is axiomatic to state in this day and generation that if any body of Christians is to render any vital service in this age of universal learning, it must have a trained leadership and an educated constituency. A rapid survey of history or of the situation to-day makes it plain that the greatest contributions to progress are always made by those people who understand their times and are prepared to minister to them intelligently. This is a fact upon which Baptists cannot lay too much emphasis. The investigations which we are making are constantly revealing fresh evidence that Baptists have not appreciated to the full their obligation to train and educate their children. We startled ourselves as well as the denomination by the discoveries which we made two years ago as to the relative interest of Baptists and others in education. Our further studies have only served to make more evident the facts which we set

forth then. As Baptists we have not been leaders in the educational propaganda. It is useless for us to deny the facts. We must face them heroically and determine to change them. Wherever in our history as a denomination we find instances of conspicuous interest in education, there our people have easily become leaders. It is perfectly possible for us to occupy a position of leadership in the next generation if we will only prepare our young people for such leadership. But without this preparation, we are destined to fail of making that contribution to the kingdom, which by our policy and our principles we are entitled to make.

So convinced is the Board of the importance of this educational propaganda, that we have declared our belief that our first task must be to develop an interest in education among our Baptist people. But this is not an achievement which we can accomplish alone. We can simply direct the efforts toward this end. For success, we must count upon the constant and energetic cooperation of our pastors. They have it in their power to create an educational passion within the denomination. By persistent efforts they can create a desire for education on the part of their young people. The example of the old New England ministers, who prepared scores of their young people for college, in one case at least 167, must become contagious among us. We are constantly learning of pastors who are zealous in this good work and are meeting most gratifying success. If we can enlarge this group of pastors who are filled with this educational passion, we can change this situation in the denomination in a decade. We appeal to the pastors for help.

Baptist Students in State Schools

We are continually discovering new evidence of the interest which Baptist young people are taking in the State universities. In increasing numbers they are going to these institutions for their higher education. The superior equipment, the variety of courses, the free tuition, the large enrolments, all make their appeal. It is impossible to secure figures that are accurate, but the most reliable data that we have been able to obtain indicate that in the Northern States we have about 3,500 Baptist boys and girls in Baptist colleges and 4,650 in State universities. In some of the Middle and Western States, we have over twice as many of our students in the State school as in the denominational school. It is apparent also that the State schools are gaining upon us rapidly.

What attitude are we to assume toward this host of young people in the State schools? This is one of the most serious educational questions which the Christian church is facing. Until recently the usual attitude has been to let them severely alone, making no systematic effort to give them moral and spiritual guidance is these most critical years of their lives. The results are only too plainly apparent to any one acquainted with this problem.

The Board of Education is determined that, so far as the denomination will enable us, we shall endeavor to reach this young life and conserve it for the Christian church. We cannot afford to lose our best young people.

We are experimenting with several methods, but so far the most successful plan in most cases is that of placing at the university center a man who is known as the University Pastor. He is charged with the task of ministering in every way he can to the religious interests of our Baptist students and of relating them as closely as possible to the local Baptist church. For these positions we try to select choice young men who have had a thorough training for the ministry and who are in sympathy with the student life. We have now placed men giving their full time at the State universities of Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Kansas, Nebraska, and Colorado. We also have men giving part time at the Universities of Pennsylvania and Ohio, at Leland Stanford University, and at the Michigan Agricultural College. The Board is cooperating with local Baptist organizations in the payment of the salaries of each of these men. In addition, men are also employed by local organizations at Boston and at the University of California. It is the intention of the Board to place men for full time service at the State University of Washington, and in the cities of Boston and New York to care for the large number of students in those great centers.

We have noted with much satisfaction that two of our Baptist academies have taken a similar step. Peddie Institute and Worcester Academy have each added to their staff this year a minister who is charged with the special task of caring for the moral and religious life of the students. At Peddie Institute, as a result, a large percentage of the boys have dedicated their lives to Christ. We hope the time will come when our strong Baptist colleges will follow suit and add men to their staff for this special task. It will be money well invested. The extraordinary religious influence which the late Dr. Chas. R. Henderson exercised on the student body of the University of Chicago shows that even in a great university a Christian minister officially representing religion may be a powerful force for good.

Reference to Table No. 11 will reveal what an important ministry these young men are rendering. In the universities in which they are working there are 41,455 students enrolled, of whom 2,270 are known to be Baptists. These are among the choicest young people in our fellowship. To conserve them to a vital relation to our churches means to prepare a new generation of leaders. During the year, 989 of these students have been enrolled in church Bible classes; 283 of them have united by letter or baptism with the Baptist churches at the university centers, thus assuring a continuity of church relationship during the serious days of university life. There have been some most remarkable conversions, though the number has not been large, for it must be remembered that the great majority of the students are church-members when they enter the universities. The most important service which these pastors render is one which cannot be enumerated in figures, namely, their personal help to students with their doubts and intellectual difficulties. This last year the Board expended $3,300 in this work. The number of pastors and assistants ought to be doubled in the near future.

One example of the direct and reflex results of this work may be seen at the University of Michigan. Here the university pastor has organized an evangelistic band of students, and has gone with them into several of the churches of the State and conducted short series of special meetings. Conversions have resulted, and a direct spiritual impulse has come to the churches from the addresses and activities of these Christian students. It has convinced young people in the churches of the manliness of the Christian life. On the other hand, the experience has led several of these students to dedicate their lives to the ministry and missionary service. If we can prosecute this kind of work for a season, we shall demonstrate the fallacy of the old claim that ministerial students cannot be secured from State universities, and we shall have to confess that the only reason we have not secured them heretofore is that we have made little or no effort to secure them. There is no finer field from which to secure religious leaders than these large universities, but we must demonstrate that we want the leaders whom they can furnish.

A prominent layman remarked some months ago that he should not give any money to help the Board of Education "because, when you educate Baptist young people, you lose them." Are our young people different from others? Or is our faith such that educated people can no longer embrace it? The trouble is that we have sent our young people to school, and have made no effort to minister to them or to conserve them to the churches. The Board of Education believes it to be its duty, therefore, by every means possible, to surround our Baptist young people in State universities with influences calculated to develop in them strong and effective Christian character.

The Christian College a Necessity

The development of the State educational system is one of the remarkable phases of American life. Practically all education had its inception and found its inspiration in the Christian church. For nearly two centuries the only colleges and universities were church institutions. But gradually and yet rapidly in these later years the State has taken over the education of its children. Primary education is entirely in the hands of the State. The number of church academies is constantly decreasing. In fact, they are rapidly disappearing. But the most remarkable development in State education has been in the university. The State university is mainly a product of the last half-century. The first one was opened in 1826. By 1870 the attendance had risen to 6,694, and in 1900 to 45,417. According to the best data available, the attendance in State colleges and universities has now risen to nearly, if not quite, 150,000. This development will undoubtedly go on at an equally rapid pace for many years to come, and education by the State will become almost universal.

Does that mean that we no longer have need for the Christian college, or that these institutions are to disappear? Your Board of Education does not think so. To this question we have devoted long and earnest study and investigation. We have come to a strong conviction, based, as

we believe, on the best of evidence, "that in addition to all the schools which States and municipalities may maintain at public cost, schools of higher learning under Christian auspices and influences should be maintained in all parts of the country." There are several reasons for this conviction. There will always be a demand for schools and colleges in this country established on a broad and firm religious foundation, in which children may receive an education under the most favorable Christian conditions. We do not cast any reflections upon the State universities. They are here and here to stay, and are rendering a service to America which is incalculable. But they cannot teach our religion. We have forbidden them so to do. We, as Baptists, have taken a leading part in this prohibition. And yet many of us believe that the education of our children is not complete unless their moral and religious nature is under tutelage during their college days. There is every reason to believe that this conviction is growing stronger in America, and that there is to be an increasing demand for educational institutions with a strong Christian atmosphere.

The Christian colleges have suffered somewhat by reason of comparison with the great State establishments, and the question has been seriously discussed as to whether many of them might ultimately disappear. But we can count upon the conviction that education ought to include the religious element, creating a more or less constant demand for the Christian institution, and we believe that this demand will grow stronger as American people come to appreciate, as they certainly must, the importance of the religious element in all true education. To meet this demand, we must maintain Christian schools.

Though by our decree the State university may not teach religion, there is a necessity that it be permeated with the religious spirit, and that its life be maintained on a high moral and religious plane. The existence of a strong Christian college within the vicinity of the State university has a distinct tendency to lift up the standard of the university. A marked reaction upon State institutions has been noted in certain States where the Christian schools have been strengthened. The Christian college, therefore, serves a double purpose and helps to maintain a Christian atmosphere in other schools as well as to furnish opportunity for a distinctly Christian education within its own halls.

There are other reasons for the maintenance of the Christian college. We have already asserted our conviction that every denomination of Christians needs to develop a strong interest in education for its own sake and for the sake of its contribution to the world. But if a denomination is to maintain this interest, it must have centers for the expression and development of that interest. This seems absolutely essential. It has been demonstrated that in States where a given denomination has no school in the maintenance of which it is interested, there is an appreciable lack of interest on the part of that denomination in education itself. Where a church does not send many students to its own schools, it does not send many to any school. There is a distinct ratio between

the attendance of students of a denomination at their own schools and at the State schools. The denominational school, therefore, acts as a direct stimulant in increasing the interest in education in general. The denominational school or college, therefore, is a necessity in any State or group of States for the creation of the educational interest.

If, as Baptists, therefore, we are to create a more intense educational interest, we cannot depend upon the State institutions. We must have strong Christian schools, in the support of which we are directly concerned, to serve as centers for the expression and development of that interest. The Board believes that this is absolutely inevitable.

The Standard of the Christian School

But we also believe that if we are to maintain such schools, they must be of such a character as to provide a sound and thorough education. We are not warranted in inviting young men and women to our schools unless we can give them as sound and true education as they can secure elsewhere. Honor demands that we shall not deceive them. We may not be able to offer as extensive and varied courses as they may find elsewhere. It is not necessary that we should. But what we do give them must be the very best. This has not always been recognized. In a desire to attract students by a broad and inclusive curriculum, schools have often yielded to the temptation of offering very inferior work. The days of this program are nearly ended. Honesty must be the policy of the new day. The Board is convinced that it ought to give its approval to those schools only which adopt this standard.

So convinced are we of the necessity of maintaining schools of this type that we have declared our conviction that it is our duty to discover, locate, and to develop in each section of our country schools and colleges that shall maintain the highest ideals and shall provide an education of the highest standard. The Board, therefore, announces this as its purpose, and to this task it is already addressing itself.

Our Long Investigation

We have not been able to make it perfectly plain to all why we have required so much time for our investigations and preliminary work. But we have been convinced that we could not ask for money until we knew where it was needed, where it would be used to the best advantage, and where it would not be wasted. The fact that a school bears a Baptist name is not sufficient reason in the minds of Baptist laymen why they should give it their money. But now we have the facts. We deeply appreciate the patience which the denomination has manifested toward us, and especially the generous attitude of the college presidents, who have been anxiously waiting for us to get under way financially.

But we do not believe that we have wasted the time of either the schools or the denomination. We are now in a position to act intelligently. Whether a new school should be established in a given locality is no

longer a matter of guesswork. We can now determine under what conditions a school should be established, and what are its possibilities of success. We believe that we can tell with accuracy how many institutions can succeed in a given field and what their character should be. We know how much equipment and endowment a school needs to do an honest piece of work. We believe that we can now estimate how many students an institution in a given situation may expect, how much income it may count upon, even, within limits, how much endowment it can secure in a period of years. We believe that we can determine what it is possible and practicable to do. From our point of view, this is exceedingly important information for such a Board to have. It is worth taking time to secure. And now on the basis of this information, we are ready to ask for money for certain of our institutions.

During the present year we have devoted our time principally to the institutions in the Middle and Western States. The situation is more critical here, and has demanded attention first. We wish to make it perfectly clear that we never enter a field uninvited, and we do not attempt to interfere with any institution. Only when our cooperation is requested do we make a study of any field or make suggestions. We are pleased to report, however, that our cooperation has been sought by practically every one of our schools in the Middle and Western States, and by several of those in the East.

McMinnville College

The first institution that received our attention after organization was McMinnville College in Oregon. This was due to the fact that they were about to embark upon a financial campaign, and desired our indorsement and assistance. After studying the situation carefully, we gave our hearty indorsement to the college, and promised them financial help. The college inaugurated its campaign last fall under the direction of Dr. Myron W. Haynes, and reports that excellent progress is being made. The Board has already rendered the institution such financial assistance as was in its power, and intends to give further help as soon as our campaign begins. This college has a long and good record. There is only one other Baptist college on the coast, and that is at Redlands. It would seem as though McMinnville ought to have the hearty encouragement and strong financial backing of the Baptists of the Northwest. There must be money enough in this great country to make McMinnville a strong institution. It is in every way worthy of indorsement and support.

In addition to these two colleges, the Baptists have two other educational institutions on this coast: Adelphia College at Seattle, which has not yet raised its work to full college grade, and the Pacific Coast Baptist Theological Seminary at Berkeley. This is the only Baptist institution of theological grade between the Missouri River and the Pacific Coast. Other denominations have found it important to develop theological schools in this Western country. If our Baptist churches are to be adequately

manned, or if we are to keep here on the coast the young men who are devoting themselves to the ministry, we must develop here a strong theological seminary. This institution ought to have the hearty support of the Baptists of the coast.

Ottawa University

During the year we have also made a study of the situation in Kansas. As a result, the Board has adopted the following resolutions:

"*Resolved*, First, that after extended examination into the educational and denominational situation in Kansas, it is the judgment of this Board that the interests of Christian education demand that there should be a strong Baptist educational institution located in Kansas, and that Ottawa is the suitable location for such an institution;

"Second, that we note with much satisfaction the splendid development of Ottawa University, the sane and careful administration of its business affairs, and the high ideals which govern it;

"Third, that we learn with interest of the proposed effort to celebrate fittingly the semicentennial of the college by raising a fund of $500,000 to add to the endowment, and we commend this effort to the generous response of the Baptists of Kansas;

"Fourth, that when our financial plans are matured, and our campaign under way, we shall be glad to cooperate with the Trustees of Ottawa in raising this fund."

Sioux Falls College

We have given much thought to the situation in the Northwestern States. We have gone far enough to be convinced that the interests of Christian education demand a Baptist educational institution of some character in that great North country, and Sioux Falls, S. Dak., is without doubt the strategic location for the institution. We hope to be able to work out with the trustees a definite plan for the development of the present institution.

This school has never yet possessed an endowment, but has been dependent upon the annual contributions of friends and churches for support. An adequate endowment is an immediate necessity, whatever the final character of the school may be. It appears to us that this school may well claim North and South Dakota as its legitimate field, and the Baptists of these States should rally to make this institution adequate to the needs of this great territory. It will be many years before we should establish another college in this district; but if the Baptists of these two States would rally unitedly to its support, they might establish an institution at Sioux Falls that would serve their interests in a splendid way.

The Board is studying the situation in other Western institutions, and expects to announce its findings in a short time.

In this connection the Board desires to announce that in the case of institutions whose trustees have used for current expenses endowment

funds held in trust as such, the Board cannot give its indorsement to any plans for further endowment until the trustees shall have replaced the funds so misappropriated and made adequate provision for the future safeguarding of such funds.

The Situation in Maine

In Maine the Baptists have developed what is perhaps the most ideal system that we have in any State. At Waterville, the central point in the State, is Colby College, our second oldest Baptist college. In this city there is also a Baptist academy, Coburn Classical Institute. Then at three strategic points in different parts of the State are Hebron, Ricker, and Higgins academies, all affiliated with the college. Hebron has the best equipment of any school in the State and a good endowment, which should soon be increased. The other schools are very much in need of funds. The Secretary of the Board spent a good part of the summer studying our situation in Maine. The report was presented to the Maine Baptist Convention, and is now in print. As a result of this study, a Maine Baptist Educational Commission has been formed to forward the interests of our Maine schools. Last year Coburn Institute received a conditional offer of $75,000 from a generous and interested friend, if the school would raise a like sum. On January 1 the representative, Rev. E. C. Whittemore, had raised $60,000, and the friend was so pleased with the success that she allowed ample extension of time to secure the balance. This will put this school on a sure foundation. An effort is now to be made to secure endowments for the other schools.

The Baptist Missionary Training School

One of the very first institutions which we were invited to inspect was the Baptist Missionary Training School conducted in Chicago by the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society. This institution, founded in 1881, has had a notable history and done a most valuable service. The school has a fine building, well located for its purposes. The Board of Managers of the Society requested our advice on plans for the future. These they have adopted, and are undertaking to build up a high-class school by the most approved methods. The school has been supported entirely out of the missionary funds of the Society. The Board of Managers feel that the time has now come to secure an endowment for the school in order to relieve the missionary treasury of the heavy expense, and to provide more funds for the development of the school.

The Board of Education has approved of their plan to raise an adequate endowment, and appeals to the Convention to indorse the project. The Woman's Society will then be in a position to go before the country with full indorsement. We believe that this appeal should meet with a hearty response. The school is doing a wide work, not only in preparing workers for the home mission field, but pastors' assistants, church and city mis-

sionaries, and woman missionaries for the foreign service. The range of its service is so wide that the school ought to appeal to all our people.

An Interdenominational Education Campaign

In connection with the plans for our financial campaign, we are pleased to announce that the Council of Church Boards of Education, which is an association of the Boards of Education of fourteen denominations, is planning a great educational campaign to cover the entire country during the years 1916-1917. This is to be planned on a scale similar to that of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and is to be organized for the definite purpose of creating a nation-wide interest in Christian education. It will be the largest undertaking of its kind ever attempted in America, and ought to create throughout the nation a new interest in this matter. This campaign is timed in such a way as to be of the greatest value to us. It ought to give a tremendous stimulus to our efforts for increased endowments for our schools. Details of the undertaking will soon be made public. We bespeak the cooperation of our educational forces to make it a great success. With the assistance of our presidents, our principals, and many of our professors, we, as Baptists, ought to be able to make a most determined advance in the development of our educational interests.

Finances

Last year the Convention placed in its budget an item of $25.000 for the Board of Education. This is more than half of the entire budget of the Convention. The Board of Education is, therefore, greatly interested in the raising of the budget of the Convention. Unless the budget of the Convention is raised, the Board will not be able to enlarge its work. By the request of the Executive Committee of the Convention, our Secretary has devoted some time to calling the attention of the churches to this matter. There has been a distinct advance in the contributions of the churches this year. But we must go still further. We cannot be contented until the great majority of our churches are directly interested in the work of the Convention and its Board of Education.

Of the budget of $25,000 allowed us, we have used $13,446. Had we been able to put on our financial campaign, we should have needed a large part of this balance, and we shall need it in the near future. We desire to develop our pastoral work in the State schools as rapidly as we can. We are planning to enter three new fields at least in the fall and one or two others in the near future.

Baptist Education Day

The Board is convinced that the time has come when the denomination should set apart at least one day each year for the consideration of our educational interests. We have not observed such a day for years, and our educational situation is sufficiently critical to demand serious attention. Nearly every other denomination observes such a day. The Presby-

terians observe an entire week, including the two Sundays. Last year their Boards received nearly $200,000 in offerings during that week. In the Methodist Church, Children's Day is Education Day, and an offering for education is expected to be taken in every Methodist church. We do not appeal for offerings, but we do appeal for attention to this most important subject. The last Sunday in February has been set apart as the Day of Prayer for Colleges by the World's Student Federation and by the Council of Church Boards of Education. It would seem, therefore, to be the day that we should observe as Baptist Education Day. The Board of Education has voted to set this fourth Sunday in February for this observance, and appeals to the Convention for its ratification. This will make necessary a slight change in the date of Denominational Day, that they may not come so close to one another as to interfere with the observance of each. But that day can be changed without detriment. We appeal to all our churches to recognize this day and to give emphasis to the importance of Christian education.

Summary

To summarize the work of the year:

1. We have visited nine Baptist institutions and made an exhaustive study of our educational situation in five States.

2. We have responded to the appeal of several institutions that have asked for counsel and help, and have held conferences with their Boards of Trustees.

3. We have drafted a set of principles which we have set forth as our educational creed, and which are to govern the action of the Board in its future work.

4. We have presented the subject of Christian education at State Conventions, social unions, ministers' conferences, associations, and churches, and have sought in many ways to arouse an interest in education.

5. We have prepared literature and newspaper articles for publication.

6. We have united with the Boards of Education of thirteen other denominations in making plans for a great national educational campaign in 1916.

7. We have employed ten university pastors to work among Baptist students in State universities.

The Board of Education, therefore, submits to you this fourth annual report. We have earnestly sought to discharge the obligations which you laid upon us. We see our task more clearly every day, and believe that you have committed to us one of the most fundamental and important of all the tasks of the denomination. We hope to be able to render you such a service as will give our educational work of every character an impetus that shall be strong and lasting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest D. Burton, *Chairman,*
Frank W. Padelford, *Secretary.*

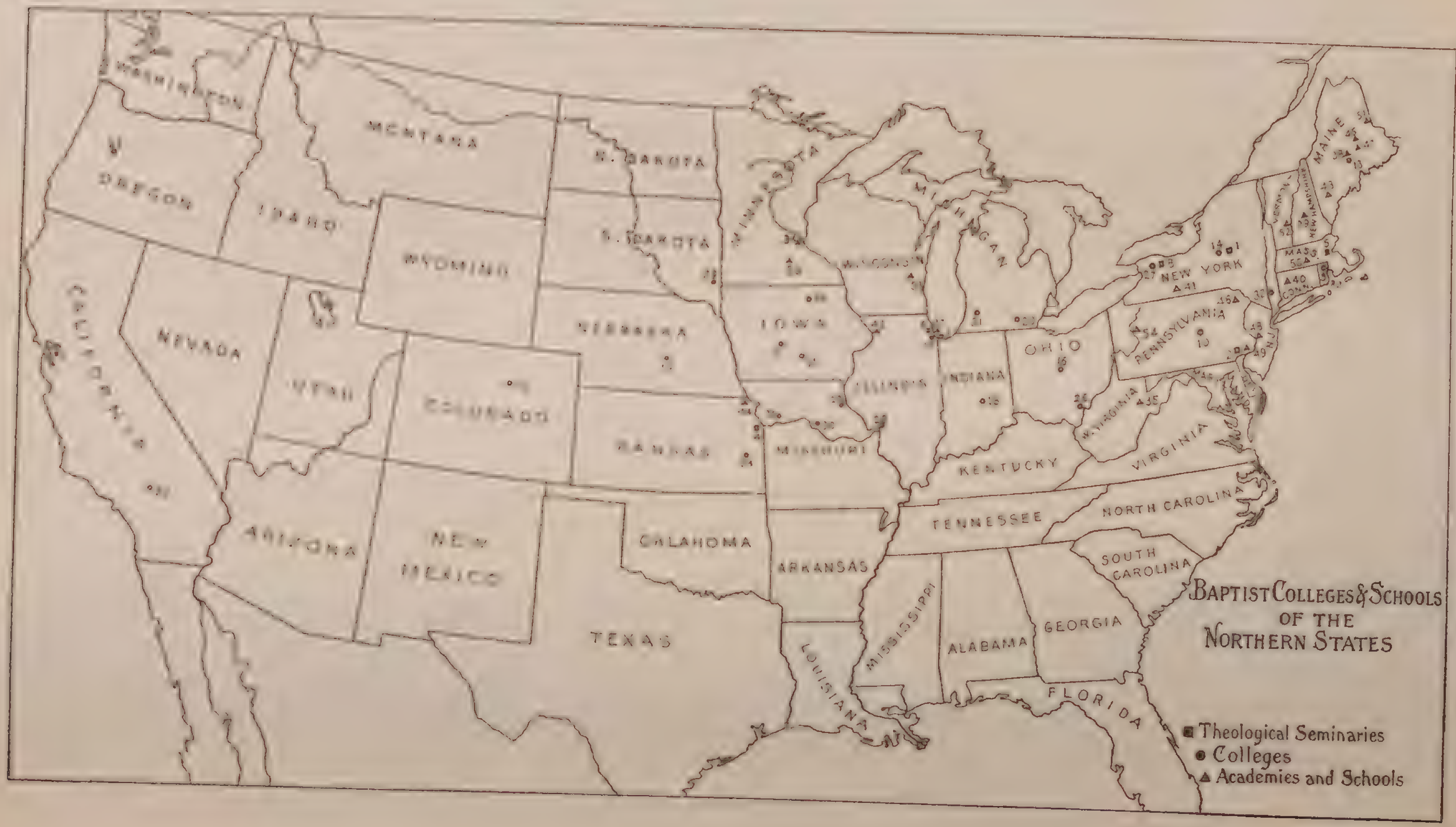

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TABLE NUMBER ONE

BAPTIST EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE NORTHERN STATES

Name	Location	College Students	Total Students	Faculty	No. of Buildings	Value of Land and Buildings	Endowment	Income
1 Colgate	Hamilton, N. Y.	17	36	17	1	Included	in Colgate	University
2 Crozer	Upland, Pa.	40	83	13	10	$200,000	$800,000	$41,000*
3 Chicago	Chicago, Ill.	318	347	28	3	Included	in Chicago	University
4 Kansas City	Kansas City, Kans.	15	62	11	2	62,000	25,000	15,359
5 Newton	Newton Center, Mass.	56	70	12	5	217,750	898,770	39,387
6 North. Baptist	Chicago, Ill.	....	18	6	..	.....	.....	.....
7 Pacific Coast	Berkeley, Cal.	4	20	4	3	20,000	23,973	4,984
8 Rochester	Rochester, N. Y.	158	83	15	5	502,686	1,758,039	78,837
8 Theological	Seminaries	608	719	106		1,002,436	3,505,782	179,567
9 Brown	Providence, R. I.	976	976	96	..	2,000,000*	3,258,926*	250,029*
10 Bucknell	Lewisburg, Pa.	598	628	45	16	335,192	735,900	131,085
11 Central	Pella, Iowa.	58	180	18	5	110,000	54,735	19,828
12 Chicago	Chicago, Ill.	4340	7300	274	40	10,452,465	18,398,273	2,076,583
13 Colby	Waterville, Me.	449	449	30	9	375,000	475,000	90,000
14 Colgate	Hamilton, N. Y.	515	515	31	10	826,128	1,123,881	176,410
15 Colorado	Denver, Colo.	60	187	11	1	140,000	.....	14,154
16 Denison	Granville, O.	603	665	45	21	941,000	835,000	126,000
17 Des Moines	Des Moines, Ia.	215	600	26	6	220,000	171,000	35,000
18 Franklin	Franklin, Ind.	211	211	15	5	214,000	313,000	43,500
19 Grand Island	Grand Island, Neb.	56	200	15	5	130,000	51,000	17,000
20 Hillsdale	Hillsdale, Mich.	246	385	20	6	140,000	315,069	31,742
21 Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo, Mich.	137	137	16	4	132,000	537,145	39,232
22 LaGrange	LaGrange, Mo.	150	175	10	6	70,000	50,000	6,000
23 McMinnville	McMinnville, Ore.	84	239	15	4	67,900	60,349	28,512
24 Ottawa	Ottawa, Kans.	185	280	20	4	132,000	234,762	25,653
25 Redlands	Redlands, Cal.	168	187	18	5	211,120	96,000	61,935
26 Rio Grande	Rio Grande, O.	22	210	10	2	36,000	78,127	3,257
27 Rochester	Rochester, N. Y.	495	495	42	12	1,048,000	1,700,000	124,435
28 Shurtleff	Alton, Ill.	75	146	14	7	100,000	130,370	16,734
29 Sioux Falls	Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	30	270	13	2	125,000	.....	16,000
30 Stephens	Columbia, Mo.	98	239	24	3	300,000	40,000	50,000
31 William Jewell	Liberty, Mo.	232	462	25	12	447,362	543,595	57,799
32 Vassar	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	1073	1073	115	..	3,079,559	1,546,962	702,669
24 Colleges		11086	16209	948		21,632,726	30,949,094	4,143,557
33 Adelphia	Seattle, Wash.	.....	59	8	2	151,182	.....	10,112
34 Bethel	St. Paul, Minn.	.....	119	5	2	70,000	.....	50,000
10 Bucknell	Lewisburg, Pa.	.....	72	7	2	Included	in Bucknell	University
35 Broaddus	Philippi, W. Va.	.....	214	12	3	160,000	15,000	.....
36 Cedar Valley	Osage, Ia.	.....	62	8	..	50,000*	38,032*	5,743*
37 Chicago Trai'g	Chicago, Ill.	.....	66	18	1	200,000	.....	25,000
38 Coburn	Waterville, Me.	.....	124	8	3	96,000	33,598	11,575
39 Colby	New London, N. H.	.....	150	10	8	175,000	118,378	35,664
40 Connecticut	Suffield, Conn.	.....	185	12	4	200,000	70,000	40,000
41 Cook	Montour Falls, N. Y.	.....	102	9	1	122,000	14,700	14,758
16 Doane	Granville, O.	.....	138	10	..	Included	in Denison	University
42 Frances Shimer	Mt. Carroll, Ill.	.....	144	20	8	140,000	60,000	46,000
43 Hebron	Hebron, Me.	.....	247	14	10	216,576	200,931	38,345
44 Hiawatha	Hiawatha, Kans.	.....	120	7	3	30,000	60,000	6,000
45 Higgins	Charleston, Me.	.....	94	7	2	75,000	19,000*	4,500*
46 Keystone	Factoryville, Pa.	.....	136	10	6	120,000*	24,400*	20,335*
47 Maine Central	Pittsfield, Me.	.....	221	11	3	120,000	53,265	21,129
48 Peddie	Hightstown, N. J.	.....	330	19	12	376,985	130,117	120,506
49 Philadelphia Tr	Philadelphia, Pa.	.....	50	29	1	130,000*	5,000*	13,145*
50 Pillsbury	Owatonna, Minn.	.....	204	15	8	260,000	293,000	48,000
51 Ricker	Houlton, Me.	.....	152	7	2	60,000	22,700	7,000
52 Vermont	Saxtons River, Vt.	.....	72	10	10	200,000	76,000	20,000*
53 Wayland	Beaver Dam, Wis.	.....	173	13	6	208,125	247,762	46,769
54 Western Penn.	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.	.....	84	7	2	35,000	51,000	6,441
55 Worcester	Worcester, Mass.	.....	275	21	6	550,000*	200,000*	50,000*
25 Academies			3593	297		2,745,868	1,732,883	641,022
57 Schools			20521	1351		26,381,030	36,187,759	4,964,146

Includes a few Schools founded by Baptists, but not now under Baptist control.
All statistics furnished by Schools except those with *, which are from Baptist Year Book.
In Seminary figures "College Students" means college graduates. In College figures it means students in four college classes.

TABLE NUMBER TWO

REPORT OF WORKERS IN STATE UNIVERSITIES

Name of University	Name of University Pastor	Total Student Enrollment	Total Baptist Students	Baptist Students Reached	Students in Bible Classes	Average Attendance	Average Student Attendance A.M. Worship	Calls Made on Students	Students United with Local Church	Ministerial and Missionary Students
Pennsylvania	S. P. Davies	4,087	171	120	65	21	....	250	....	5
Ohio	V. S. Phillips	5,591	220	220	117	75	75	175	....	....
Michigan	N. C. Fetter, Jr.	5,722	500	300	125	55	82	420	87	9
Michigan Agricultural	C. E. Mieras	1,852	138	100	60	50	50	....	8	....
Wisconsin	J. W. Morgan	5,400	225	225	100	40	75	902	50	4
Illinois	M. S. Bryant	5,446	301	254	105	81	99	280	59	2
Iowa	H. P. Chaffee	2,800	130	80	45	30	40	278	4	11
Kansas	F. W. Ainslie	2,270	172	160	84	54	65	450	52	10
Nebraska	C. J. Pope	3,400	240	200	148	80	110	300	....	2
Colorado*	R. L. Van Deman	3,187	158	131	105	87	65	208	14	1
Leland Stanford, Jr.	H. L. Hewes	1,700	53	35	35	15	18	75	9	2
Totals		41,455	2,504	1,814	989	598	679	3,338	283	46

* Including two schools.

95. On motion of Secretary F. W. Padelford, of Massachusetts, the report was received.

96. Secretary L. A. Crandall moved the adoption of the report, and addressed the Convention.

97. On motion of Rev. E. V. Pierce, of Minnesota, it was voted that the motion be amended by adding "after a further discussion of twenty-five minutes."

98. The report was discussed by Rev. E. V. Pierce, Secretary F. W. Padelford, Rev. R. L. Kelley, and Rev. A. B. Tomlinson.

99. The motion as amended was voted.

100. President E. S. Clinch appointed the following Committee on Enrolment: Frances Line, California; Rev. Fred Morgan, California; Rev. J. H. Deere, Arizona; Rev. H. W. Davis, Oregon; Rev. Wilson Mills, Nebraska.

101. On motion of Rev. L. C. Barnes, of New York, the Convention adjourned to meet Friday, May 21, at 9 a. m.

American Baptist Education Society

102. The Society was called to order by President L. A. Crandall.

103. On motion of Prof. E. D. Burton, of Illinois, it was voted that the President appoint a Committee on Nominations, consisting of three members.

104. President L. A. Crandall appointed the following Committee on Nominations: Rev. Rolvix Harlan, South Dakota; Rev. L. W. Riley, Oregon; Secretary L. C. Barnes, New York.

105. The Committee on Nominations made the following report:

President, Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minnesota.
Vice-president, Pres. S. E. Price, Kansas.
Secretary, Rev. E. R. Curry, Colorado.
Treasurer, Trevor Arnett, Illinois.

106. On motion of F. W. Padelford, of Massachusetts, it was voted that the Secretary be instructed to cast a ballot for the officers as nominated.

107. On motion the Society adjourned.

FIFTH SESSION, *Thursday, May 20, 2 P. M.*

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

108. The Society was called to order by President C. H. Jones.

109. Rev. L. L. Henson, of Colorado, offered prayer.

110. Prof. E. D. Burton, of Illinois, addressed the Society upon "The Scope of the Missionary Enterprise."

111. An open parliament on the financial policy of the Society for the ensuing year was conducted by President C. H. Jones, in which the following addressed the Society: Henry Bond, Rev. J. B. Fox, Maurice Price, Rev. W. H. Geistweit, Rev. W. S. Abernethy, Secretary F. P. Haggard, Secretary J. M. Moore, Rev. H. B. Grose, Prof. E. D. Burton, Rev. L. L. Henson, Rev. R. S. Williams, Rev. S. W. Cummings, Rev. H. S. Johnson, Rev. E. V. Pierce, Rev. L. A. Crandall, Rev. C. M. Gallup.

112. Secretary G. B. Huntington addressed the Society on the work of its missionaries and introduced the following, who spoke upon their work: Rev. Eric Lund, Philippine Islands; Rev. Cornelius Unruh, India; Miss H. A. Elgie, China.

113. On motion the Society adjourned after prayer by Rev. F. O. Kusaki, of Washington.

SIXTH SESSION, *Thursday, May 20, 8 P. M.*

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

114. The Society was called to order by Henry Bond.

115. Prayer was offered by President C. M. Hill, of California.

116. President C. H. Jones delivered an address upon "Missionary Enthusiasm."

117. The following missionaries addressed the Society: Rev. Thomas Moody, Africa; Rev. Robert Harper, Burma; Rev. William Axling, Japan.

118. Rev. H. S. Johnson, of Massachusetts, offered prayer.

119. On motion the Society adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

SEVENTH SESSION, *Friday, May 21, 9 A. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

120. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

121. Rev. D. D. Proper, of Nebraska, offered prayer.

122. On motion of Rev. J. F. Vichert, of Rhode Island, the following report of the Committee on Order of Business was adopted:

FRIDAY, MAY 21

Seventh Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of the Committee to Cooperate with the First Baptist Church of Boston.
Report of the Committee on Conference on Faith and Order.

9.30 Special Order: Discussion of the Report of the Committee on Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations.

11.00 Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board.

12.00 Report of Committee on Conference with Southern Baptist Convention.
Introduction of Fraternal Delegates.

Eighth Session

2.00 American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Ninth Session.

8.00 American Baptist Home Mission Society.

SATURDAY, MAY 22

Tenth Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of Committee on Denominational Day.
Report of Committee on Moral and Religious Education.
Report of Committee on Young People's Work.
Report of Laymen's Missionary Movement.

10.30 Report of Committee on City Missions.
Report of Committee on Correlation.

11.30 American Baptist Historical Society.

2.00 Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

8.00 Joint Session: American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and American Baptist Home Mission Society.

123. The minutes of the Convention (Items 74-113 inclusive) were read and approved.

124. On motion of Rev. H. B. Grose, of Massachusetts, it was voted to send the following message to President Woodrow Wilson:

To Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America:

The Northern Baptist Convention, now in session in Los Angeles, Cal., representing more than a million and a quarter members of Baptist churches of the North and West, expresses its warm sympathy with you in the delicate and difficult conditions with which, as the Chief Executive of this nation, you are compelled to deal; and its gratitude for the wise and Christian way in which thus far the issues arising from the war in Europe have been met.

Assuring you of its confidence and loyalty, the Convention prays that in these critical days you may be divinely guided and preserved.

In behalf of the Convention,

EDWARD S. CLINCH, *President.*

125. President E. S. Clinch stated that the order of the day was the further discussion of the Report of the Committee on Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations.

126. On motion of Rev. W. H. Geistweit, of California, it was voted that discussion be limited to five minutes for each speaker.

127. On motion of Rev. R. M. West, of New Jersey, it was voted that not more than two representatives of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the American Baptist Publication Society be granted ten minutes each for discussion.

128. The report was discussed by Rev. W. B. Riley, Rev. J. W. Brougher, Rev. H. S. Johnson, Rev. E. M. Lake, W. W. Brown, Rev. L. L. Henson, Rev. P. C. Wright, Rev. G. P. Mitchell, Rev. J. M. Wells, Rev. O. T. Steward, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rev. F. A. Smith, Secretary G. C. Lamson, Rev. R. M. West.

129. On motion of Rev. L. L. Henson, of Colorado, it was voted that the motion laid upon the table (see Items 88, 90) be taken from the table.

130. On motion of Rev. L. L. Henson, of Colorado, it was voted that the life of the Committee on Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations be continued until final action upon its report shall have been taken in 1916.

131. Rev. Galusha Anderson, of Massachusetts, offered prayer.

132. The President called Secretary H. L. Morehouse, President of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board, to the platform.

133. The following report of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board was presented by Secretary E. T. Tomlinson, of New Jersey:

Report of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

Experience was lacking when this work was first undertaken; hence it has been the policy of the managers to move carefully. It is comparatively easy to make or to increase a grant, and equally difficult to cut down if necessity arises. Many of the grants too are likely to continue for a long time. The policy adopted has been one to help, rather than to assume entire support at the present time. At every meeting of the managers and of the Executive Committee since the Board was incorporated, new grants have been voted. As rapidly as conditions warrant, the number and amounts are increased. Seventy-one per cent of the entire grants have been made to heads of families; the remaining grants have been to individuals, including widows and orphans. The highest grant was $400; the lowest, $100. Numerous applications are now pending. These direct grants and applications are distributed as follows:

	Grants Voted	Applications Pending
Arizona	1	
Alabama	2	
California	12	1
Colorado	2	
Idaho	2	
*Illinois	2	1
Iowa	3	1
Kansas	1	1
Maine	3	
Maryland	1	
*Massachusetts	2	1
Montana	1	
Minnesota	3	1
Missouri	1	1
Nebraska	8	
New Hampshire	2	2
New Mexico	1	
*New Jersey	1	1

*New York	1	
Nevada	1	1
Oregon	3	1
*Ohio	3	
Pennsylvania	6	4
Rhode Island		1
South Dakota	1	1
Washington	4	
Wyoming	1	

*Grants made to beneficiaries ineligible for aid by local boards.

Many other grants have been made in cooperation with State Conventions and local boards. In the Northern Baptist Convention a total of $65,689.75 has been reported as raised and expended for approximately 279 grants.

Problems in Making Grants

Thorough investigation is made before any grant is voted. The State Committees of Cooperation have greatly assisted us and the fact that grants must be approved by the State Conventions has simplified our work. We do not want one worthy man to suffer, but in a work of this kind we are subjected to many appeals from those who may not be deserving. The managers have acted upon their conviction that the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board was not organized for promiscuous charity, but was limited definitely in its field to "worthy Baptist ministers and missionaries, their widows and dependent children." A distinguished professor in one of our seminaries recently said to the Executive Secretary: "Most men ought to pray for tender hearts. In your work you ought to pray for a heart of steel." It is a pleasure to report that not many cases have arisen demanding the "heart of steel." Among our chief difficulties are those connected with lax or too easy ordination, whereby men obtain a certain recognition, when occasionally action by an ordaining council evidently was mistaken, if not wrong. The managers have been guided by their conviction that service rendered rather than the mere fact of ordination should be the basis of all grants. Another problem is concerned with those who for many years have been out of the active ministry, though they are still recognized as ordained ministers. Still another is found among men who have been unsuccessful, and, although conscientious, have been continuous trouble-makers in the fields wherein they have labored.

Unification

Peculiar problems are likely to arise in the early stages of the development of a work of this kind. The most difficult of all problems has been that concerned with local bodies. The total funds held by the denomination for relief, although they are not large, are still respectable. Much of this amount, however, is impotent and not even the income is used. Many Associations, for example, each having a small fund, have made no use of

income or principal for years. The pastors of the three or four strong churches in a certain Association do not need help, while the by-laws, which require a residence of five years within the Association before aid from the local fund can be voted, have prevented the unbroken procession of ministers through the weaker fields, where the pastorates are short, from becoming eligible. Indeed, before any united campaign can be successfully undertaken for great enlargement of this work by the churches, the unification and simplification of this phase of our denominational condition might well be considered. Already several steps in the right direction have been taken. The Western Ministers' Aid Society has dissolved, leaving the care of its beneficiaries to this Board. Three Associations in Minnesota have turned over to us their funds. The North Philadelphia Association has transferred its fund to our treasury. The trustees of other associational funds have voted to take similar action as soon as the Associations shall convene. It will be a fortunate day when duplication of appeals, expense of administration, and local prejudices shall give way, so that this work can assume its proper place. Other denominations may not surpass our own in interest or willingness, but their form of organization may increase efficiency by officially preventing such duplication. The following table shows the distribution and amounts of these local funds:

Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board of the Northern Baptist Convention	$265.506
Arizona	No Funds
California	No Funds
Colorado, State Convention	400
Connecticut—Ashford Association	283
Hartford Association	244
New Haven Association	888
New London Association	3,500
Stonington Union Association	2,600
Idaho	No Funds
Illinois, Bloomington Association	1,000
Indiana	No Funds
Iowa, State Convention	3,000
Keokuk Association	1,200
Kansas, Kansas Baptist Aid Fund	646
Maine, Lincoln Association	3,000
Damariscotta Association	3,000
Massachusetts, Conference of Baptist Ministers in Massachusetts	266,339
Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society	232,407
Michigan, Baptist Ministers' Aid Society	67,884
Minnesota	No Funds
Montana	No Funds
New Hampshire, Ministers' Conference	3,966
Milford Association	4,110
New Jersey, Central Association	6,838
New York, Baptist Ministers' Home Society	39,200
Long Island Association	5,500
Stephentown Association	1,221
Hudson River North Association	9,900

Lake George Association	730
Genesee Association	1,900
Hudson River Central Association	11,000
North Dakota	No Funds
Ohio	No Funds
Oregon	No Funds
Pennsylvania, Nugent Home	400,000
Central Union Association	3,570
North Philadelphia Association	1,601
Philadelphia Association	1,569
Northumberland Association	775
French Creek Association	1,251
Rhode Island, Warren, Narragansett, and Providence Association Relief Fund	18 [illegible]
South Dakota	119
Vermont, Addison Association	2,030
State Ministers' Conference	519
Harriet Smith Fund	9,467
Washington	No Funds
Wisconsin	No Funds
Utah	No Funds
Total	$1,372,694

Campaign to Increase the Permanent Fund

Although the Convention at Boston enthusiastically authorized a campaign to add largely to our permanent funds, the managers, governed by the advice of business men, decided that such a campaign should be postponed for a brief time. The great war in Europe, the depression of business in America, and the campaigns of our missionary societies to pay off their debts presented a condition that made this postponement advisable. In a brief time, however, it is confidently expected that such a campaign will be vigorously undertaken. Although no active campaign has been undertaken, nevertheless an addition of $29,007.37 has been made to the permanent fund within the fiscal year.

Estimated Needs

A most conservative estimate, based upon less than one-half the percentage used by other denominations, indicates that we ought to provide for at least six hundred. Of these needy ones, 279 are now being cared for either directly by this Board or through cooperation with local boards or State or associational societies.

Cooperation

In certain States plans have been adopted whereby a percentage of receipts is forwarded to our Board, a larger portion being retained for local needs. In this way provision has been made directly or indirectly for the care of deserving men who otherwise might not have received help because

of the scarcity of funds for this purpose in the State in which they reside. Measures are pending which lead us to believe that in the near future more efficient plans of cooperation will be adopted. The managers have remitted $1,500 of the share due from the joint budget of the Baptist Ministers' Home Society. This money has been expended for grants within the States of New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.

Quite remarkable is the result in certain States that have turned all their offerings to our treasury and at the same time have asked the Board to assume charge of all their beneficiaries. In one State, for example, the State apportionment has been exceeded. In California, Colorado, Nebraska, and other cooperating States marked results have thus been obtained.

The present total monthly grants, based upon reports received from various societies and States, indicate that as a denomination we are spending approximately $75,000 annually in this work.

Pensions

The carefully prepared plan of providing pensions for our ministers at the age of sixty-five or seventy was presented last year to the Convention at its meeting in Boston. The matter was referred to the Executive Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention, who doubtless will present their report at the present session.

Bequests

Information has been received concerning various wills which have been drawn within the year for the benefit of this Board. The only bequest which has been received has been $1,000 from Mrs. Catherine Cooley, of Hartford, Connecticut. By a vote of the managers this amount was at once added to the permanent fund. The life of the Board has been so short that bequests promised have naturally not yet been received. As the years pass, these amounts are likely to be increased steadily.

Annuities

By a vote of the managers the rates which are to be paid on annuity bonds issued by the Board have been made the same as the rates in other denominational societies. Annuity bonds to the amount of $6,000 have been issued during the fiscal year.

Transfer of Funds from the Free Baptists

No distinction has been made in grants between the various bodies composing the Northern Baptist Convention. In view of this fact, the action of the Free Baptists in transferring the small funds in their possession

to the treasury of our Board is to be noted. Doctor Anthony has been a most efficient helper.

Contributing States

Either directly or indirectly every State in the Northern Baptist Convention has given to this work. In many of the States the contributions received have been less than the money returned to those States in grants. Two States have not yet entered wholly into the plan of cooperation, but expect to do so in the near future.

Special Gifts

This report would be incomplete if no reference was made to the generous friends who by personal contributions have helped us in our advertising campaigns. In the same manner, through the suggestion and interest of the Committee on Finance, the entire expenses of the Executive Secretary in attending the present meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention were covered by the gifts of individuals, so that not one penny of the funds of the Board has been used for this purpose.

Permanent Funds

In spite of the fact that no aggressive campaign has been undertaken, additions have been made to the permanent funds. The permanent fund two years ago consisted of $250,000, collected from the pledges made in our original campaign. The total of this amount now has been increased to $294,513.62.

Conclusion

This work appeals to our ministers. Certain of them have hesitated to enter into it fully because of a fear of even appearing to ask for something which was to be for their own benefit.

The truth is, however, that the work applies to the entire ministry of the denomination. The life of the churches doubtless will not rise above that of their ministers. What affects the ministry affects the entire body. Heroism, self-sacrifice, and consecration are qualities common among our most devoted laborers. It is not that they are unwilling to suffer, but the denomination itself should be unwilling that they should endure unjust or unnecessary "hardness." In every congregation there are men and women to whom this appeal is so evidently just and fair that they are heartily willing to respond to it if the need is brought directly to their attention. The managers especially wish to call the attention of our pastors, as well as of our churches, to the need of gifts to this fund commensurate with its importance and with what our sister denominations are doing to-day in their provisions for the ministry.

Almost every pastor knows of people within his parish to whom our plan of issuing annuities would be a help in the investment of their funds. Security, the reception of a higher rate of interest than ordinarily can be had, and the perpetual use of the principal in this work after the death of the donor are all provided for in these annuity bonds. "The Man from Pennsylvania" has strongly urged that an appeal be made to people who may be possessed of certain securities which they would be willing to transfer to this Board if the income, when and as accrued, should be paid regularly and promptly to them during their lifetime. This suggestion the managers have heartily approved.

A duty rests upon our churches not only to provide but also to sustain our ministry. A man does not cease to be a minister when he is fifty or sixty years of age. Out of the average income in the Northern Baptist Convention, provision for old age is well-nigh a physical impossibility. Certain denominations may have more effective ecclesiastical machinery than ours for providing for this imperative want, but none is more willing. The time has come when as a people we must face this problem. What has been done is only a beginning. The heroism, self-sacrifice, and devotion of our ministers and missionaries, the privations of widows and orphans, must be met by a kindred spirit of generosity on the part of our people. The strong must help bear the burdens of the weak. Those who are our substitutes on the firing-line must not be left penniless and destitute in their old age. Generously, not grudgingly; justly, and not of charity or pity, we must be able to say to every minister and missionary, as our country says to her soldiers, "You give yourself to the work with might, mind, and strength, and not only your labors but you yourself and those who are dependent upon you will not be forgotten by the people that called you to be a leader of men."

E. T. Tomlinson, *Executive Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1915

I. Permanent Fund—

1. *For General Purposes*—

Contributions	$ 2,884.83	
Legacy	1,000.00	
Amount reported last year	250,506.25	
		$254,391.08

2. *For Special Purposes*—

Transfer from General Fund	$ 12,865.00	
Amount reported last year	15,000.00	
		27,865.00
Grand Total		$282,256.08

II. General Fund—

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Churches	$ 11,989.26	
Contributions from Individuals	2,324.93	
Total Contributions		$ 14,314.19
Income Permanent Fund	$ 12,534.75	
Income Annuity Fund	200.05	
Income General Fund	321.78	
Income Special Trust Fund	11.17	
		13,067.75
Total Receipts		$ 27,381.94
Balance in Treasury, April 1, 1914		5,650.24
		$ 33,032.18

DISBURSEMENTS

E. T. Tomlinson, Secretary, salary	$ 3,500.00	
E. T. Tomlinson, traveling and incidental exp.	71.92	
Clerical Help	976.00	
Advertising	351.68	
Board Meetings, traveling expense of members attending	59.96	
Exchange	20.01	
Office Expenses	72.45	
Postage	42.72	
Printing and Literature	71.97	
Rent	[illegible]	
Nebraska Collecting Agency, expenses	[illegible]	
Iowa Collecting Agency, expenses	35.64	
Incidental Expenses	46.00	
Grants, exclusive of cooperative work	7,219.99	
Annuities	366.06	
Paid to Baptist Ministers' Aid Society	613.01	
Paid to Baptist Ministers' Home Society	66.00	
Paid to Iowa Baptist State Convention	216.53	
Paid to South Dakota Baptist State Convention	1.80	
	$ 14,442.11	
Transferred to Special Fund	12,865.00	
	$ 27,307.11	
Balance in Treasury	5,725.07	
		$ 33,032.18

		Rep. Min. Bene. Board
III. Special Trust Fund—		
Balance reported last year		757.54
IV. Annuity Fund—		
Contributions during year	$ 6,000.00	
Amount reported April 1, 1914	5,500.00	
		$ 11,500.00

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Bonds (Schedule A)	$276,477.30	
Notes	3,087.50	
Mortgage	1,000.00	
Cash in Trust Co. at interest	19,673.89	
		$300,238.69

Liabilities

Capital Accounts—		
Permanent Fund	$282,256.08	
Special Trust Fund	757.54	
Annuity Fund	11,500.00	
General Fund	5,725.07	
		$300,238.69

Bonds Owned By the Board (Schedule A Above)

Bonds Owned by the Board—	*Book Value*
City of Dayton, Ohio, Flood Emergency	$ 20,800.00
Jersey City, N. J., Harbor Improvement	14,268.75
City of New York, Corporate State and Water Bonds	24,968.75
City of Waterloo, New York, Sewer	10,227.50
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry., Milwaukee & Northern Con. Mtg.	24,500.00
Chicago & Northwestern, Princeton & N. W. Ry.	13,500.00
Louisville & Nashville Ry., Unified Mtg.	13,950.00
Village of Huntington, N. Y., School Dist. No. 3	10,352.45
City of Yonkers, N. Y., School and Water	20,742.20
Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Ry., Con. Mtg. Series L	25,156.25
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry., Gen. Mtg.	4,150.00
Southern Pacific Ry. Co., 1st Ref. Mtg.	9,300.00
Central Pacific Railway Co., 1st Ref. Mtg.	14,175.00
City of Los Angeles, Cal., Water Works	5,056.40
Union Pacific Ry. Co., 1st Lien and Ref.	4,675.00
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Con. Gen. & Ref.	5,050.00

Northern Pacific, Prior Lien and Land Grant.....	1,860.00	
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Gen. Mtg.....	2,745.00	
*Total Purchased		$225,477.30
Bonds Donated—		
The Ohio Fuel Supply Co., Debenture .....$	50,000.00	
Jersey City, Hoboken & Paterson St. Ry., 1st Mtg...	1,000.00	
Total Donated		$ 51,000.00
Grand Total		$276,477.30

*These bonds were purchased in accordance with the laws of the State of New York governing the investment of Trust Funds.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Receipts—	From the Denomination	Income on Investments	Totals by Funds
1. For Permanent Fund .....$	3,884.83	.....	$ 3,884.83
2. For General Fund	14,314.19	$13,067.75	27,381.94
3. For Annuity Fund	6,000.00	.....	6,000.00
	$24,199.02	$13,067.75	$37,266.77

H. L. MOREHOUSE,
Treasurer.

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS REPORTED FOR DENOMINATION

Total Amount of Grants.....$	65,689.75
Number of Beneficiaries	279

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

I have audited the books and accounts of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board of the Northern Baptist Convention for the year ended March 31, 1915, and have verified the securities and cash on hand, and I hereby certify that the foregoing report of the Treasurer is correct and in accordance with the books of the Board.

ORRIN R. JUDD,
Certified Public Accountant (N. Y.)

May 5, 1915.

134. On motion of Rev. J. F. Vichert, of Rhode Island, and after discussion by him, it was voted to receive and adopt the report.

135. Secretary H. L. Morehouse, President of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board, addressed the Convention, and read the following communications:

Rev. H. L. Morehouse, President of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board of the Northern Baptist Convention:

DEAR DOCTOR MOREHOUSE: I would like to make to you the following proposition:

The Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board is doing such good work that its permanent funds should be increased at once to at least one million dollars. Now, if during 1915, you secure enough with what you have to make the amount six hundred thousand dollars in all, then I will give fifty thousand dollars additional for this worthy cause.

Sincerely yours,

May, 1915. A BAPTIST LAYMAN.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, May 8, 1915.

Rev. H. L. Morehouse, President of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board of the Northern Baptist Convention, New York:

DEAR DOCTOR MOREHOUSE: Having a profound regard for the Northern Baptist Convention as an agency for quickening and strengthening our denominational life, and sincerely appreciating the value of its aims and methods in advancing the kingdom of Christ throughout the world; and being especially interested in the work which the Convention has placed upon your Board in caring for those who have devoted their lives to the service of the Master; and realizing the imperative need for a large increase in the funds of the Board for a furtherance of this work:

I will set aside as a permanent fund of the Board, Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000), under a trust agreement which will become operative on the twenty-eighth day of July, 1915.

I make this gift in memory of my beloved wife, Lavinia Marston Swasey.

Most sincerely yours,

(Signed) AMBROSE SWASEY.

136. On motion of Rev. E. T. Tomlinson, of New Jersey, it was resolved:

First: That the Northern Baptist Convention desires to give expression to its profound gratitude to "A Baptist Layman" for his generous gift of $50,000, conditioned upon the denomination raising $125,000 additional by the end of the year 1915. The Convention desires not only to place on record its full appreciation of this noble gift, but also to express its hope and confidence that other devoted laymen and our churches will make this offer an assured success within the limits of the time designated.

Secondly: That the Northern Baptist Convention expresses and records its profound gratitude to Mr. Ambrose Swasey for his generous memorial gift to the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board. The Convention joins with the donor in the fervent prayer that through this act of consecration, the memory of a gracious and devoted woman may be perpetuated, aged soldiers of the cross be heartened, and the kingdom of our common Lord be greatly enlarged.

137. On motion of Secretary L. A. Crandall it was resolved,

That telegrams of appreciation be sent to Mr. Ambrose Swasey for his most generous gift to the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board, and also to the unknown friend who made the conditional gift of fifty thousand dollars.

138. The following temporary report of the Committee on Enrolment was presented by Frances Line, of California:

Total number registered to date	1,801
Delegates registered	1,186
Visitors registered	615
Representatives	32

139. On motion of Secretary L. A. Crandall it was voted,

That the hour for the greeting from the Fraternal Delegates of the Southern Baptist Convention be referred to the Committee on Order of Business, with the instruction that it be given place at the tenth session on Saturday at the most favorable moment.

140. The following report of the Committee on Conference with the Southern Baptist Convention was presented by Secretary L. A. Crandall:

Report of the Committee on Conference with Committee of Southern Baptist Convention

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The Committee of Conference with the Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention has held no meeting during the year, because no matter within its sphere of action was called to its attention.

Our Committee is informed that the corresponding committee of the Southern Baptist Convention will ask to be discharged.

G. E. Horr, *Chairman.*

141. On motion of D. C. Shull, of Iowa, the report was adopted.

142. On motion the Convention adjourned to meet Saturday, May 22, at 9 a. m.

EIGHTH SESSION, *Friday, May 21, 2 P. M.*

American Baptist Home Mission Society

143. The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards.

144. Rev. O. C. Wright, of Oregon, offered prayer.

145. On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse, it was voted that Rev. P. C. Wright, of Pennsylvania, serve as Recording Secretary pro tem.

146. President D. K. Edwards delivered the President's address.

147. Prof. G. N. Brink, of New York, addressed the Society upon "The Training of Native Leaders for Our Home Mission Fields."

148. Secretary C. L. White conducted an open parliament upon "The Pivotal Place of the Meeting-house in God's Work." Other speakers were Rev. L. S. Bowerman, Rev. H. B. Grose, Rev. F. P. Palmer, Rev. J. F. Watson, Rev. C. E. Tingley, Rev. D. A. Pitt, Rev. G. E. Burlingame, Rev. Bruce Kinney, and Prof. R. H. Tripp.

149. Secretary H. L. Morehouse addressed the Society upon "Our Work in the West."

150. On motion, after the benediction by Secretary C. L. White, the Society adjourned to meet at 8 p. m.

NINTH SESSION, *Friday, May 21, 7.30 P. M.*

American Baptist Home Mission Society

151. The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards.

152. Rev. D. A. Pitt, of California, offered prayer.

153. President D. K. Edwards presented Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Troyer, who conducted a missionary pageant illustrative of the work among foreign-speaking people.

154. Rev. G. H. Brewer, Superintendent of Missions in Mexico, addressed the Society upon "Needs of Our Near National Neighbor."

155. General Superintendent C. A. Wooddy addressed the Society on "The How and the Now of Pacific Coast Achievements," illustrating his message by the stereopticon.

156. On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse it was voted that the Society adjourn subject to the call of the President at such time as shall be considered convenient by him and the Committee on Order of Business.

TENTH SESSION, *Saturday, May 22, 9 A. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

157. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

158. Rev. W. D. Wells, of Wisconsin, offered prayer.

159. The minutes of the Convention (Items 114-150 inclusive) were read and approved.

160. On motion of J. F. Vichert, of Rhode Island, the following report of the Committee on Order of Business was adopted:

Saturday, May 22

Tenth Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of the Committee on Denominational Day.
Report of the Committee on Moral and Religious Education.
Report of the Committee on Young People's Work.
Report of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

10.15 Report of the Committee on City Missions.
Report of the Committee on Correlation.

11.15 Reception of Fraternal Delegates from the Southern Baptist Convention.

11.30 American Baptist Historical Society.

MONDAY, MAY 24

Sixteenth Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of the Committee on Place of Next Convention.
Report of the Committee on Social Service.

9.45 Report of the Committee on Nominations.
Election of Officers of the Convention and of the Cooperating Organizations in the following order:
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
American Baptist Home Mission Society.
American Baptist Historical Society.
Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.
Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
American Baptist Publication Society.

11.00 Report of the Committee on Plans for Raising Debts.

11.30 Report of the United Missionary Campaign Committee.

161. On motion of the Recording Secretary it was voted,

That a resolution requesting a place on the Convention program for the work of the Bible-school be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

162. The following report of the Committee on Denominational Day was presented by Secretary H. L. Morehouse:

Report of Committee on Denominational Day

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

Your Committee on the observance of Denominational Day reports that the subject recommended for consideration by the denomination on March 14th, 1915, was as follows:

> The Baptist Conception of a Christian Church; of Whom it Properly Consists; Its Spiritual Character and Mission; a Local, Democratic Body in a Brotherhood of Churches.

It was deemed advisable to provide special leaflets of information for the use of pastors and others, concerning some of the vital and fundamental differences between Baptist and most Pedobaptist bodies on these matters. These contained quotations from the creeds of several denominations and extended extracts from Dr. Adoniram Judson's statement of his reasons for becoming a Baptist. The need for a restatement of our position on these matters was given as follows:

"Because the fundamental differences between Baptists and Pedobaptists on this subject are most imperfectly understood by many members of our own churches, as well as by others, greatly to our detriment.

"Because of the prevalence, the persistence, and the perpetuation in our land, as well as in other lands, of what we regard as radical and dangerous errors concerning the church of Christ. The incoming millions from European countries very largely hold these erroneous views.

"Because the birthright or hereditary church-membership theory, coupled with the doctrine of baptismal regeneration of infants, has proved disastrous to the spirituality of the bodies most strongly holding these views.

"Because it is of the utmost importance that a church should be a proper visible expression of the spirit of Christ, and an efficient instrumentality of the Holy Spirit for the advancement of the kingdom of God in the world.

"Because it is our duty, in a spirit of love, to bring others to the acceptance of the truth as we hold it, showing them why eminent Pedobaptists like Adoniram Judson became Baptists from the study of the New Testament."

An edition of 10,000 copies of each was published and about 7,000 copies were mailed to pastors. Attention having been called through the denominational papers to these publications, numerous requests for them were received, generally with remittances for the cost thereof. It is known that the day was widely observed by special sermons on the subject, some of these being printed and extensively circulated.

In due time the Committee will announce the subject for consideration in March, 1916.

F. L. Anderson,
F. W. Ayer,
W. B. Hinson,
John Humpstone,
E. W. Hunt,
D. P. Leas,
Shailer Mathews,
H. L. Morehouse,
T. J. Villers,
Committee.

163. On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse the report was adopted.

164. The following report of the Committee on Moral and Religious Education was presented by Rev. G. T. Webb, of Pennsylvania:

Report of the Committee on Moral and Religious Education

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The Commission on Moral and Religious Education herewith submits its fourth annual report.

I. The Report of 1914

The third annual report of your Commission, submitted at Boston, in 1914, presented Bulletin No. 3, "A Program of Religious Education in a Church of One Hundred Members or Less," with announcement of plans of investigations under way for subsequent reports.

II. The Personnel and Organization

There have been no changes in the personnel of your Commission during the last year. Two meetings have been held: The first, in Buffalo, November 17, 1914, and the second, in the same city, March 3, 1915, and both were well attended. The preliminary and substantial work of the Commission is practically all done in subcommittees. For the past year the following subcommittees have pursued investigations, and prepared reports which have had to pass through the ordeal of criticism by the full Commission in its second session: (1) Church Worship, (2) Religion in the Home, (3) A Program of Religious Education for the Small Church, and (4) The Church and the Public School in Religious Education.

The associate members of the Commission have heartily cooperated in the plans and work in hand, and again won our hearty gratitude.

III. Publicity

The members of your Commission are deeply concerned about methods and means of bringing its work—its "Folders" and "Bulletins"—to the attention of the churches. Inquiries made at the headquarters of our large societies indicate much ignorance of what has been done. Publication in the Northern Baptist Convention Annual reaches a limited circulation and few churches. Secretaries of State Conventions and directors of religious work are doing some work in that line, but can greatly increase their efficiency. Denominational papers can aid in a most effective manner, in reaching the live, wide-awake churches. The members of the Commission have expressed their willingness to aid in a publicity campaign, so far as practicable, both in preparing articles, and in speaking, on the various phases of the work already embodied in its reports.

IV. New Printed Documents

The Commission has endeavored to gather facts and opinions through questionnaires. But these have yielded disappointing results. Through other channels the subcommittees have succeeded in collecting what the Commission believes to be fundamental suggestions regarding the several items covered by the report. As part of the fourth annual report we submit:

1. FOLDER NO. 4, "CHURCH WORSHIP"

A statement of the significance and value of the public service of the church, based on opinions, experience, and observation of some of the most successful pastors in our land; the place and kind of music, the sermonette for children, and the spirit which should pervade the entire service.

2. FOLDER NO. 5, "RELIGION IN THE HOME"

The religious home is the backbone of the church. Its character radiates to the church, community, county, State, and nation. Modern social life is menacing its solidarity and religious character. What are the steps which should be taken by the church to conserve its religious values in the midst of the distractions of the new readjustments in city and country life? Folder No. 5 presents some practical suggestions, with indications of helpful material for the leaders in the local church.

3. BULLETIN NO. 3, REVISED EDITION

Is a simplification and reconstruction of Bulletin No. 3, issued last year (and already out of print). It is a program of religious education for a small church, which can be readily adapted to almost any small church which has a mere handful of workers with the pastor. Churches are rightfully ambitious to do large things, but any small beginning suggested in this bulletin will soon open the way for carrying out the whole scheme here presented.

4. BULLETIN NO. 4, "THE CHURCH AND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION"

The spontaneous emergence of the problems relative to the Bible and public schools is one of the striking signs of the times. The public conscience has been awakened to the one serious lack of the public schools, and in some States has already taken definite steps to supplement that deficiency. Bulletin No. 4 recites the advances already made, lays down some of the principles which should underlie any such proposals, and makes some suggestions as to conditions and means of promoting recognized standard religious instruction by the church.

V. Work in Process

The multiplicity of questions in the local church which are calling for the investigation of your Commission is almost bewildering. For the year 1915-1916 subcommittees are already at work on three local problems. The bulletins on Programs of Religious Education for churches of different sizes lead us next to consider the church in rural districts. Material has already been gathered, but the subcommittee has plans for further investigation, and expects to have its report ready for next year. The Education Board unwittingly opened up for the local church a problem which another subcommittee of your Commission has taken

in hand. Why are Baptists so far down the line in the percentage of students, not simply in Baptist, but in every kind of, schools of higher education? What is the responsibility of the local church for this condition of things? What has the pastor to do with it? Who should be the inspiration and guide of the boys and girls in the local church and community? Why are not more of these young people started on the road to higher training and usefulness? At whose doors does the responsibility lie? This serious problem will be carefully investigated, and report made at a subsequent time.

Another problem that emerges in the life of nearly every church is the pathetic ignorance of its members as to the real meaning of church-membership. What does such membership imply? What are its responsibilities? A subcommittee is at work on this condition of things, and will be prepared to suggest a working plan by use of which young converts may be trained and older members instructed.

VI. Larger Interests

The time has not come for the Commission to reach far beyond the bounds of the local church. The problems are too many and too intertwined to allow us to leave this most potent center of the Church and the State for other and less important fields. Nevertheless, the character of the community and the church's responsibility for that character are questions that cannot be long postponed. If the local church were merely a cloister, shut in from contact with its environment, the way would be easy and plain; but as long as the members of that church, and especially its young people, are so enmeshed in the life of the neighborhood, we must soon take up a study of the elements that form the web and woof of that community as a part of the church's burden.

Other problems, such as the supply of ministers, the local church and the training of ministers, the local church and its own training of forces, are calling for immediate investigation and solution.

VII. Committee on Lesson Courses

In accordance with the action of the Northern Baptist Convention at Boston, June, 1914, the Commission on Moral and Religious Education elected, November 17, 1914, a Committee on Sunday-school Lesson Courses, as follows: Ira M. Price, *Chairman,* W. P. Behan, T. F. Chambers, Henry F. Cope, and Avery A. Shaw. The scope and duties of the Lesson Committee were defined as follows: "The Lesson Committee shall, in conference with the American Baptist Publication Society, pass upon all courses of study, whether Uniform, Graded, or elective, before they shall be recommended for use in the Sunday-schools. The committee shall also survey the Sunday-school field, and advise the Publication Society of any other courses that in its judgment may appear to be desirable to approve." This committee, by virtue of its authority, named George T. Webb to be the representative of the Northern Baptist Convention on the International Sunday-school Lesson Committee for a term of three years.

VIII. List of Literature Already Issued

Bulletin No. 1, "Literature on Departments of Church Activity."

Bulletin No. 2, "A Program of Religious Education in a Local Church."

Bulletin No. 3 (Revised Edition), "A Program of Religious Education in a Small Church."

Bulletin No. 4, "The Church and the Public School in Religious Education."

Folder No. 1 (Revised Edition), "Suggestions for a Committee on Religious Education in a Local Church."

Folder No. 2, "A Model Standard of Efficiency for Baptist Sunday-schools."

Folder No. 3, "Social Studies for Adult Classes and Brotherhoods."

IX. The Commission on Moral and Religious Education

Term expires 1915

Rev. T. F. Chambers, Columbus, Ohio.
Rev. H. F. Cope, Chicago, Ill.
Prof. H. K. Rowe, Newton Center, Mass.

Term expires 1916

Rev. W. P. Behan, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. A. A. Shaw, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Term expires 1917

Prof. Ira M. Price, Chicago, Ill., *Chairman.*
Rev. C. W. Gilkey, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. F. D. Elmer, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Ex officio

Rev. S. Z. Batten, *Social Service Secretary, American Baptist Publication Society.*

Rev. Carl D. Case, *Chairman of Commission on Young People's Work.*

Rev. W. E. Chalmers, *Educational Secretary, American Baptist Publication Society, Secretary of the Commission.*

Rev. J. M. Moore, *Secretary of Department of Missionary Education.*

Rev. G. T. Webb, *Associate Editor of Periodicals, American Baptist Publication Society.*

Bulletin No. 3. Revised Edition. A Program of Religious Education in the Small Church

A. Introduction

I. The task of every church is (*a*) to provide means of worship, (*b*) to evangelize the community in which it exists, (*c*) to educate its members and its young people especially, (*d*) to organize them for service.

II. Religious education must be carried on with (*a*) a definite purpose to cultivate the religious nature so as to get a response to spiritual forces, and an adoption of a high standard of personal Christian life; (*b*) thorough organization by means of the Sunday-school, the young

people's society, and men's and women's organizations; (*c*) efficient instruction by means of graded courses and trained teachers.

III. The purpose of education can be achieved by (*a*) an appeal to the emotions through forms of worship and a study of human life; (*b*) an appeal to the intellect through Bible study and Christian history and doctrine; (*c*) an appeal to the will through training in right habits and character study.

IV. Thorough organization can be secured by (*a*) definite organization of each study group in the church; (*b*) cooperation of the various groups in the church to prevent omissions or duplications; (*c*) grading the Sunday-school, and giving it proper superintendence.

V. Efficient instruction can be obtained by (*a*) making the teacher's efforts worth while through the adoption of a good curriculum, occasional tests of the pupils, and a policy of religious promotion; (*b*) encouraging and providing for teacher-training.

B. Organization

I. The Committee on Religious Education.

1. Its *members:* Pastor (who shall be chairman), superintendent of the Sunday-school, a representative of the men's organization, a representative of the women's societies, a representative of the young people's societies, and a representative of the Social Service Committee—these last four to be selected for educational qualifications.

2. Its *duties:* (*a*) To serve as a church cabinet on all work in religious education; (*b*) to unify and coordinate work in Sunday-school, young people's society, and men's and women's organizations, and to provide a unified program of religious education in the church; (*c*) to pass upon courses of study and standards of gradation and promotion; (*d*) to determine teaching qualifications, and appoint, on the superintendent's recommendation, all teachers in the educational work; (*e*) to promote the interest of the church in religious education and secure adequate support for this work.

3. Its *organization:* The pastor and superintendent are members by virtue of their respective offices. Other members are elected at the annual church meeting to serve one year. The committee may organize itself into subcommittees on courses of study, cooperation of organizations, worship, recreation, and community service.

4. Its *meetings:* These should be held monthly, or at the call of the pastor, the superintendent, or any three members.

II. The Sunday-school.

1. Its *purpose:* To develop efficient character by means of definite, organized, and carefully selected instruction in the Bible and in the religious life. It deals particularly with youth. It is "the school of the church," meeting on Sunday for class study.

2. Its *officers:* In a church of this size the leadership of the pastor in all religious education must be kept in mind.

a. The Superintendent, elected annually to supervise the school and preside over its sessions, advising frequently with the pastor and with the Committee on Religious Education.

b. The Assistant Superintendent, to take the place of the Superintendent during absence or disability.

c. The Secretary, to keep records of attendance at Sunday-school, and of all school business transacted at teachers' and business meetings.

d. The Treasurer, to receive and disburse all funds of the school.

e. The Librarian, to have custody of all the literature of the school, including hymn-books and Bibles, books and periodicals, and the distribution of the same.

f. The Director of Music, to have charge of the musical exercises.

NOTE. All these officers are chosen annually by the church on nomination of the Committee on Religious Education.

g. The School Cabinet of all the above officers, together with all teachers. This body should meet once a month to consider the progress of the school and to advise together on problems as they arise.

3. Its *classification:* All pupils are grouped in classes:

a. Beginners', all pupils under six years of age.

b. Primary, all pupils of six, seven, and eight years of age.

c. Junior, all pupils of nine, ten, eleven, and twelve years of age.

d. Intermediate, all pupils of thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, and sixteen years of age.

e. Senior, all pupils of seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, and twenty years of age.

f. Advanced, all pupils over twenty years of age.

NOTE. If it seems advisable on account of sex or numbers to divide these classes, let each division be lettered A, B, C, etc. In very small schools the first two and the last two may be united.

g. Training, all pupils over sixteen preparing to teach or work in school.

h. Home Department, including all persons unable to attend the sessions of the school who may be enrolled for regular study of the lesson at home.

III. Other educational departments of the church may properly organize themselves and arrange their educational courses at their own discretion, but in cooperation with the Committee on Religious Education.

C. COURSES OF STUDY

I. THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

The Graded Series of the International Lessons is well adapted for general use, and contains the following subjects of study:

1. *Beginners' Course.* Aim: To lead the little child to the Father.

a. First year. The loving care of God and the love of children in return.

b. Second year. God's protection and help, and children as helpers.

2. *Primary Course.* Aim: To lead the child to know the heavenly Father, and to inspire within him a desire to live as God's child.

a. First year. God's power, love, and care, and the child's response.

b. Second year. Jesus the Saviour, and the helpers of Jesus doing his will.

c. Third year. Stories of Jesus and other Bible characters who did God's will.

3. *Junior Course.* Aim: To awaken interest in the Bible, to present high ideals, to deepen personal responsibility, and show what it means to be a Christian.

a. First year. Stories of the Old Testament and parables of Jesus.

b. Second year. Bible stories from the Old and New Testaments.

c. Third year. Old Testament tales, with four temperance lessons, and an introduction to the New Testament.

d. Fourth year. Mark's Gospel and studies in the Acts, with missionary stories and five lessons on the structure and contents of the Bible.

4. *Intermediate Course.* Aim: To call out good impulses and habits of right living through acquaintance with the noble characters of history; especially those of the Hebrews, Jesus himself, and missionaries.

a. First year. Old Testament biography, and a few lessons on American religious pioneers.

b. Second year. Jesus the leader of men, followed by two parallel courses—one on New Testament characters, the other on the lives of later Christian leaders, particularly Alexander Mackay, the missionary.

c. Third year. The life of Jesus, followed by a quarter's lessons on his teachings or, as a parallel course, the life of David Livingstone.

d. Fourth year. Studies in Christian living: the Bible, principles of the Christian life, and the church as the organization of the Christian life.

5. *Senior Course.*

a. First year. Aim: To teach the meaning of Christian life and how the pupil may relate himself to it. Subjects: The World as a Field of Service; Social Problems of Youth; Ruth; and James.

b. Second year. Aim: To stimulate interest in the religion of the Old Testament, and to relate its lessons to present life. Subjects: The Life and Literature of the Hebrew People.

c. Third year. Aim: To awaken appreciation of the New Testament for itself and as a guide to Christian conduct. Subjects: The Beginnings of Christianity, with a Special Study of the Apostolic Church as a Brotherhood.

d. Fourth year. The Bible and social living.

Advanced Courses suitable for adults are in course of preparation.

For schools fitted to do advanced work there are admirable courses published by Scribner's—Completely Graded Series—and by the University

of Chicago—Constructive Bible Studies. These include Bible study, Christian and missionary history, social duties, and the work of the modern church. They are based on the same principles of instruction, and should be examined before a choice of lesson helps is made.

If the International Uniform Lessons are used, there should be supplementary exercises or lessons in missions and social service.

II. The Young People.

The Christian Culture Courses of the Young People's Department of the American Baptist Publication Society and the Young People's Commission of the Northern Baptist Convention are intended to give training for Christian service, and should be correlated with the work of the Sunday-school.

1. *Junior Department.*

a. Bible Readers' and Sacred Literature Courses. 1914-1915. Truths for which the Baptist church stands, as illustrated in biography, followed by vacation studies.

b. Conquest Missionary Course. 1914-1915. Hero stories of Christian pioneers, followed by vacation studies.

2. *Senior Department.*

a. Bible Readers' Course. A systematic course of Bible reading.

b. Sacred Literature Course. 1914-1915. "The Church a Field of Service," by C. H. Rust.

c. Conquest Missionary Course. 1914-1915. Monthly studies in the general missionary enterprises of the denomination.

3. *Advanced Courses.*

a. Bible Readers' Course. Ancestry of the English Bible.

b. Sacred Literature Course. "Why is Christianity True?" by E. Y. Mullins, D. D., LL. D.

c. Conquest Missionary Course. History of missions.

There are also optional courses on Baptist principles and history and on practical efficiency.

III. Adults.

1. *Missions.* (For material in all grades, consult the Department of Missionary Education, 23 East Twenty-sixth Street, New York.)

Most evangelical denominations and their missionary boards are now united in their plans for mission study, and there is great gain in using the program upon which they have agreed.

The material available includes programs, data for sermons, mission-study courses, stereopticon lectures, etc.

1914-1915. The Social Force of Christian Missions.

a. On foreign missions. Faunce, "The Social Aspects of Foreign Missions"; Labaree, "The Child in the Midst."

b. On home missions. Douglass, "The New Home Missions"; Bennett, "Missionary Women and the Social Question."

c. On both. Mathews, "The Individual and the Social Gospel."

Proposed subjects for:

1915-1916. The Church and the Nations.
1916-1917. The Two Americas.
1917-1918. The Missionary Force of Modern Christendom.

2. *Studies in Social Service,* for adult classes, brotherhoods, and social study groups.

The responsibilities of the Christian in the community are being considered seriously in various church organizations and in men's classes in the Sunday-school, and courses of study on the principles and methods of social service are suggested by the Social Service and Religious Education Commissions of the Northern Baptist Convention in Folder No. 3 of the Social Service Commission. Among these are: Social Ethics of the Old Testament, Social Ideals of Christ, The Modern Social Awakening, Principles of Social Service, Social Institutions, Social Duties, Social Problems, and Social Activity. Other useful courses are those published as "Studies in the Gospel of the Kingdom" by the American Institute of Social Service, New York. Valuable books for reading and study are: Sears, "Redemption of the City"; Fiske, "The Challenge of the Country"; Tupper, "Foreign-born Neighbors."

DIAGRAM

	SUNDAY-SCHOOL	YOUNG PEOPLE	ADULTS
Bible.	Graded lessons.	Bible Readers' and Sacred Literature Courses.	Organized Bible classes.
Missions.	In graded lessons or supplementary.	Conquest Missionary Courses.	United missionary courses.
Social Service.	In graded lessons or supplementary.	Studies in principles and activity.	Studies in principles and activity.

D. THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS

There is as much reason for the thorough preparation of Sunday-school teachers as of public-school teachers, and it is the custom in the best schools to maintain a teacher-training department. A two years' course of study in

a. The Bible as suited to the Sunday-school workers' needs;

b. The study of the pupil in the varied stages of his growing life;

c. The work and methods of the teacher;

d. The Sunday-school, and its organization and management, is specified as a minimum requirement in teacher-training by the Sunday-school

Council (interdenominational), and is urged by the Educational Department of the American Baptist Publication Society, which gives a certificate on its completion.

Beyond this it is helpful if teachers will read missionary literature, the history of Christianity, and Christian ethics. Every school should own a small set of books for the use of this department, such as Athearn, "The Church School"; Faris, "The Sunday-school at Work"; McElfresh, "The Training of Sunday-school Teachers and Officers."

E. Methods of Administration

The success of a program for religious education depends much on the practical methods in use. The Northern Baptist Convention has adopted a model Standard of Efficiency for Baptist Sunday-schools, prepared by the Commission on Religious Education (Folder No. 2), which is distributed free of charge by the American Baptist Publication Society. The Society gives special recognition to schools that maintain this model Standard. Among the points emphasized are:

1. *Grading and Promotion.*

Every church should have organized instruction for children, young people, and adults. In the Sunday-school classes should be arranged and courses graded so that a pupil may be promoted after suitable tests from one class to another with public recognition by means of graduation exercises. In young people's societies and adult organizations Bible study, missions, and social service should each have its place, with regular courses of standard value, and when a series of courses is completed and young people have arrived at a suitable age they should graduate from their own society into an adult group.

2. *Organized Classes.*

There are advantages in organizing adult and senior classes in the Sunday-school for activities as well as study. They should have their regular officers and occasional business sessions, but remain closely affiliated with the other educational departments.

3. *Membership and Attendance.*

A regular plan should be adopted for adding new members to the educational classes and for keeping up the attendance. A cradle roll and a Home Department of the Sunday-school have proved useful devices for connecting the school and the home. Special days, such as Rally Day, Children's Day, and Promotion Day arouse interest and give recognition to special phases of the Sunday-school.

4. *Teachers' Meetings.*

These are useful for keeping up the standards, exchanging ideas, and finding ways of cooperation. They may properly include the members of the training class, and should be led by its teacher or by the superintendent or pastor.

5. *Activities.*

The aim of every Bible-school should be to train for service. Education must find expression in action. The young members of the school may be organized as Boy Scouts or Camp Fire Girls; the older young people as a community club for social welfare. Adult organizations should find ways of putting into practice the principles and information that they acquire in their periods of study. The ultimate object of all departments of the Christian church is to transform society into a kingdom of God on earth ruled by the spirit of love and helpfulness.

Bulletin No. 4. The Church and the Public School in Religious Education

A growing interest in the week-day religious instruction of the young has brought forward again the questions relating to instruction in the Bible and religion in public schools. Several special forms of activity in this field are to be noted:

The Daily Vacation Bible-schools. This is a plan of week-day instruction in religion during the summer vacation.[1]

The propaganda for Bible reading and study as a part of the regular work of public schools. Various plans are urged.[2]

The distinctive experiments of the North Dakota high schools, Colorado schools, Lakewood (Ohio), Gary (Indiana), and many other places. These all provide for work in religion by school pupils to be taken in churches or similar places outside the school building. The plans are given with greater detail below.

At a joint meeting of the secretaries of the church educational societies held in Chicago, January 13-15, the following resolutions were passed regarding the relation of the church to the public school:

That in view of the great importance of Bible instruction as related to public education, this council recommends to the church boards composing this body that they bring before their supreme judicatories a full statement of the situation looking toward action in the following particulars:

1. The favoring of legislation calculated to safeguard the right to have the Bible read in the public schools.
2. The favoring of academic recognition by public-school authorities for academic work done in Bible study outside of school hours.
3. Requests to standardizing bodies in public instruction that they define the conditions under which academic recognition may be given for academic work done in Bible study.
4. Encouraging of churches and Sunday-schools to provide for such Bible instruction and allied work as will prepare them to bear their part in the movements looking toward the proper functioning of the church and the public school in religious education.

[1] See "Religious Education," for August, 1914.

[2] See the description of many methods in the introductory portion of "Bible Stories and Psalms," prepared and published by Wilbur F. Crafts, Washington, D. C.

This subject involves such important religious and political issues and is so vital to the future usefulness of the churches that it seems wise to review some of its fundamental principles.

I. Statement of Principles

The Baptist position of the separation of Church and State leads to the conclusion that it is inconsistent to use tax-supported institutions for private religious purposes.

The teaching of religion is a private responsibility. Religious instruction means instruction in some faith. Matters of faith are of private judgment and not of public choice.

The primary responsibility for religious instruction lies in the family. The secondary responsibility lies with the church.

Every church will lose one of its greatest privileges if it relinquishes the teaching of religion to the State.

It is important that the development of the child's life be a unitary process. The conception of education must include religious training, since education is the process of developing a religious person.

II. The Situation

The child is already too much divorced from the life of the church. The present activities of the churches in the teaching of religion are inadequate:

As to time (usually thirty-five minutes per week).

As to subjects (fragmentary studies in Bible only, neglecting creed, church, duty).

As to equipment (very few have any special facilities).[3]

As to numbers taught (as a rule not over sixty per cent of young in church schools).

As to method (still few schools really using modern *school* methods).

Our highly developed public-school system lacks the assistance of definite religious instruction in the development of character.

Leaders both of the school and of the church are awakening to the problem of religious education as a common responsibility.

III. Some Proposals and Experiments

1. *Legislation has been proposed regarding Bible reading in the public schools.* The public schools, however, are not religious institutions; they are not designed for teaching religion nor for worship. Their teachers are not selected and are not trained for religious instruction nor upon any religious qualifications. The use of the Bible for teaching religion or for purposes of worship in a public school would be an exceedingly dangerous experiment as giving the State power over religious

[3] See "The Sunday School Building and Equipment," H. F. Evans, University of Chicago Press. Price, 75 cents.

doctrines and customs, interfering with freedom of conscience, and taking from the church its peculiar privilege of teaching religion to the young. If a majority may demand the teaching of the Bible, a majority may also demand the reading of the Koran or any other religious literature.

We would urge that efforts be concentrated on securing for the Bible the recognition of its place in literature in the regular course in the school, and that we emphasize the Baptist position of separation of Church and State by insistence that the Church preserves its prerogative of teaching religion and does not abandon it to the State.

2. *Academic recognition has been suggested for work done in Bible study and religion.* Certain important experiments have been made in this field which deserve attention. They illustrate methods of correlating instruction in religion with the work of general education.

(*a*) *The North Dakota Plan.* This plan was suggested by Prof. Vernon P. Squires, of the University of North Dakota. The State High School Board authorizes a syllabus of Bible study. Study may be carried on privately or in special classes *outside the high school* and in connection with Sunday-schools or other institutions. The work may be taught by any pastor, priest, or other person. An examination is given at the time of the regular State examination, papers are marked by readers appointed by the State School Board, and, to those who pass, credit is assigned to the extent of one-half unit out of the sixteen required for high-school graduation.

The following distinctive points are to be noted: The syllabus contains no religious instruction as such. Professor Squires says: "Important as religious instruction is, we must not violate our fundamental American idea of the separation of Church and State. The justification of Bible study, so far as the schools are concerned, is found in the great value of a knowledge of scriptural history and literature as broadly cultural subjects. This idea must be constantly and consistently borne in mind and strenuously insisted on." To avoid any suspicion of sectarianism, no text-book except the Bible is prescribed. Any recognized version of the Bible will be accepted. There is no insistence on any theory of authorship or criticism. Memory passages must be committed from both Old and New Testament. The work must be sufficient to amount to ninety hours of recitation, besides the time of preparation.

It must be noted that this system applies to high-school students only, that it does not require or permit special absences from the regular high-school work, and that it is not done by the school authorities or school-members.

(*b*) *The Colorado Plan.* The Colorado plan is the outgrowth of the system conceived by the Rev. D. D. Forward, at Greeley, Colo., and first used in connection with the State Teachers' College. The work is under a "State Council of Religious Education." In November, 1913, the committee for the State Teachers' Association recommended that high schools should give credit for Bible study of corresponding grade, in Sunday-schools which reached in their classes the standards of the North Cen-

tral Association, to an extent not to exceed one-fourth unit for each year's work. Under these conditions a four years' elective course of Bible study is being prepared for use in Sunday-schools and for high-school students. This system will require that the teachers of such classes shall have at least an equivalent to the B. A. degree, and shall have special training in the subjects which they teach, that pupils shall be eligible to membership in an accredited high school, that churches shall provide such classes with separate rooms, freedom from interruption for at least forty-five minutes, desks for each pupil, blackboard, maps, and reference work. Credit is based upon forty recitations of forty-five minutes each for each year with a minimum of one hour of study to each lesson. Dr. L. D. Osborne, of Boulder, Colo., writes: "The crux of the matter lies in the requirement that the work shall be conducted in the Sunday-schools according to the standards of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. This means a forty-five-minute period, teachers who have had a college education or its equivalent, individual rooms for the classes, and a genuine study of the lesson on the part of the students."[4]

(*c*) *The Gary Plan.* The Gary plan provides for children of elementary and high-school grades being excused from their classes for from one to six hours per week, as may be arranged, in order to attend classes in their churches. The parents elect the church, and the churches provide special teachers as a rule. On January 31, 1915, the following churches had special teachers, professionally employed, conducting classes, in some instances as many as six hours a day: Baptist, Episcopalian, United Presbyterian, Congregational, Methodist, Disciples, Presbyterian in United States of America, English Lutheran, and Reformed Jewish. It is to be noted that no school fund is used for this purpose and no instruction is given in the public school, nor are school-teachers employed. The system, however, does involve certain definite provisions on the part of the church, and demands trained teachers in every church.

(*d*) *The Wenner Plan.* The Wenner plan is described by Dr. George U. Wenner in his book "Religious Education and the Public Schools." It provides for excusing all students one half-day per week, and allowing them to go to their respective churches for instruction. This plan proposes an adaptation of the European system to American conditions.

(*e*) *Various plans* are described in "Bible in School Plan," by Wilbur F. Crafts, including those mentioned above. He especially advocates the reading of the Bible and Bible lessons at the opening of school, and calls attention to the New Zealand plans. Several other valuable experiments are being tried. Austin, Tex., is working in affiliation with the State University on what is approximately the Colorado Plan. Des Moines, Iowa, is experimenting with the Gary plan. Several cities in Indiana are making similar experiments.

[4] Full particulars may be obtained from the State Sunday School Association of Colorado, 312 Seventeenth Street, Denver.

3. *Credit for week-day work has been proposed.*

The North Dakota plan and the Colorado plan give credit for work accomplished by high-school students. Here care must be exercised that the State does not secure the right to determine the *content* of the curriculum. It may establish standards as to its academic character, but it ought to be ready to accept any work in any faith or doctrine provided it be of equal grade in requirements of study. The doctrines, interpretations, and precise content of the curriculum must be the responsibility of the churches.

In the elementary grade credit must be based entirely on the theory, established in fact, that the child is doing in the church-school work equivalent in time and study to that which he would be doing in the school. Mr. Wirt, of Gary, goes even further, and says that "if the community is willing that the child should spend so much time in the church schools, it is no business of the school what it shall study there." There should be no thought of tests or examinations in the church school, for they are out of place in elementary work. The utmost care should be exercised to grade the work of instruction, the conditions of study, the classrooms, apparatus, and discipline at least fully up to the standards in the public schools. Then the scheme of credit would simply be that no child should be retarded or conditioned on account of time necessarily taken in attending the church day-school for the periods agreed upon with the school board.

4. *It has been proposed to enlarge the church's course of instruction in religion.*

Week-day instruction affords opportunity to complement, not to duplicate, the work of the church school on Sunday. If the child can have three periods of work in religion each week instead of one, it will be possible to arrange a fairly complete curriculum of religious instruction, something at present not yet provided in the United States.

In addition to the best work now offered in the Bible, the curriculum ought to include Christian teaching or doctrine, conduct or right living, the church—its history and present work, forms of religious activity in social relations, organization and service, modern religious literature in hymns, poems, and prose.

For convenience at present, it might be wise to consider the school on Sunday as devoted, for the lower grades at least, to the Bible, using the graded lessons already provided, and leaving graded instruction in doctrines, duties, and church history to the day-school. But steps should be taken at once to arrange a fairly complete curriculum of religion for all churches able in any way to provide week-day instruction. This must be based strictly on the child's developing life and its needs.

IV. Conditions of Successful Work

1. *Plant.* A room designed and arranged as a classroom with tables, suitable seats, blackboards, and apparatus is necessary. This room must be hygienically, not ecclesiastically, lighted and ventilated.

2. *Instruction.* The teacher should be trained. Not many pastors can do this work, because it demands an exclusive devotion to a precise schedule, which they cannot give. In churches having two hundred children in the elementary school it is only common-sense provision for their future religious usefulness and for their present religious development to provide a leader, an educator, devoting himself exclusively to them.

There need be no serious difficulty in cooperating with other churches, so that one teacher serves more than one church. The points of difference may, if necessary, be taught in the separate Sunday-schools.

3. *Plan.* It will not be worth while to withdraw children from the public schools unless certain definite results are to be achieved which could not be reached in any other way. We must be sure that there are specific and worth-while things to be taught, disciplines to be covered, in order to secure definite educational results. We must be as clear at least as other educators as to the purpose of this school.

4. *Schedule.* Before asking for time from the public-school program, it would be wise to make certain whether the present actual needs may be met by some other arrangement. Is it not possible to find more time for instruction either on Sunday or on other days of the week? Saturday may be available for organized and directed play and social service.

V. Recommendations

(1) A more serious study to provide an adequate program of religious education for the young in the time now available, especially on Sunday morning. No demand should be made for the use of public-school time until we make adequate use of the time now available.

(2) The raising of educational work of the church to the point of efficiency where we can claim the right of credits and academic recognition.

(3) Plan to secure community unity of action on:

(*a*) A thorough survey of the needs.

(*b*) A program of work in religious education.

(4) Better physical equipment for educational work in the church.

(5) Secure the employment of professionally trained directors:

(*a*) Either for a local church or (*b*) for a group of churches.

(6) Prepare for week-day instruction special courses of study and plans of coordinated activity of service. This gives the opportunity for the much-needed work in history, doctrine, conduct, church relations, and general religious ideas.

(7) Develop the vacation Bible-school plan. This affords opportunity to experiment in the field of week-day religious instruction.

(8) Become acquainted with the work of the public school.

Suggestions on Courses of Study

The following suggestions are put forth tentatively at this time when no regular curriculum is organized for the week-day instruction, in the hope that they will furnish the basis for further study and work. The curriculum is predicated on the general theory that adequate instruc-

tion in biblical literature and biblical history will be given in the school meeting Sundays.

Grade 1. Memorizing hymns, brief passages of Scripture, and prayers.
Teaching by stories, principally, right attitude toward family, friends, school, etc.
Grade 2. Memorizing selected passages and hymns with training in worship.
Stories of heroes of religion since the close of the biblical canon.
Further training in forms of service in community and church.
Grade 3. Continued memorizing.
Modern religious history.
Ideas of God and religious conceptions.
Grade 4. Further training in worship and teaching of Christian conduct.
The story of the church.
Grade 5. The church and our relation to it.
Training in worship.
The life of Jesus and its meaning to-day.
Directed Christian service.
Grade 6. What it means to belong to the church.
The social duties in the light of Christianity.
Introduction to modern religious literature.
Grade 7. The story of the Bible in history.
Further studies in modern religious literature, especially poetry, worship, social duties.
Grade 8. Modern religious literature.
The church at work to-day.
Young people's organizations in general.
High school. Grade 1. The Bible as literature.
Early church history.
Conduct and life.
Grade 2. The medieval church.
Methods of Christian service.
Christian citizenship at work.
Grade 3. Modern church history.
Social problems.
Grade 4. The present-day church at work in the world.
Ethical problems.

SUGGESTIONS AS TO ORGANIZATION

It is possible to provide for the twelve grades of elementary and high school during the five days of the week so as to have only one grade at a time, as follows:

In churches or communities where the number of pupils in any one grade would not exceed twenty-five, the school week can be divided into twelve or twenty-four class periods, each grade appearing in one of the same once or twice a week.

Where the number of children in any one grade would exceed twenty-five it is better to organize so as to have smaller classes. The school week can then be divided into twenty-four periods, five hours of each day except Friday, four hours on Friday, and, for example, one-half the pupils in Grade 1 would take the first hour and the other half of the pupils in this Grade 1 would take the second hour.

This plan would require only one teacher at a time on any one day. It may be difficult to find one teacher who could take all the children of a church between the ages of six to nine on Monday and those fifteen to seventeen on Friday, but a trained teacher could do this much better than could a group of amateurs.

The simple fact ought to be recognized that almost all the teaching in the so-called "evangelical" group in any community could be done by a teacher in one church as well as by a teacher in another. The distinctive teachings which separate the churches could be left to the Sunday-school, the one week-day period would be sufficiently occupied if devoted to the knowledge upon which all in the group are agreed.

VI. Further Interests of the Church in Public Education

While we agree that the public school cannot teach religion, we ought to insist that it shall count for moral character.

Any discussion of the school problem ought to be based on real knowledge of the facts. Pastors know altogether too little of the inside of these schools. They should visit the schools. As social leaders they are responsible for conditions in the schools. They will find teachers willing cooperators in any reasonable enterprise.

The churches ought to encourage the formation of parent-teacher associations or clubs.

It is possible to organize in any community what might be called "A Council of Moral and Religious Education." This holds, in a voluntary capacity, the same relation to the moral welfare of the young as a village or city council holds to civic affairs. It should consist of all pastors, public-school officers and teachers, Sunday-school superintendents and teachers, librarians, Young Men's Christian Association and Young Women's Christian Association employed officers, social workers, leaders in women's clubs, etc. It would lead in the study and organization of community plans for week-day instruction in religion.

Folder No. 4. Religion in the Home

The word home is magic in human speech. It suggests the tenderest feelings, the most sacred experiences, and memories that are supremely hallowed. Home, in its deepest meaning, is not dependent upon elaborate equipment. In palatial residences, or in a humble cottage, with scant furniture or surrounded by expensive adornment, home is home, and

Be it ever so humble,
There is no place like home.

The significance of family life, however, is not merely a matter of sentiment. In God's plan for the development of the race, and for the betterment of the world, the home is an institution of fundamental importance. The State, the Church, and the family each has a part in training for social living; but first in point of time and first in far-reaching power stands the home with its family influences.

In the home children come into being, receive their first impressions, and take on the bent of character that will last as long as life endures. If a child does not early receive its first lessons in worship, reverence will never come into that life in a strong and commanding way. If the spirit of good-will and unselfish cooperation with others finds no place in the child's early experiences, he is not likely to grow up to be a healthy and helpful citizen. Home is the place where lives are made, where the foundations of society are laid, and where most lasting impressions are imparted. Home is the primary training-school for the kingdom of God, the place of supreme influence in the direction of Christian and social living.

There will be no dissent from the expressed conviction regarding the supremacy of the home. We face, however, a grave question as we come to consider the changes that are seriously affecting the conditions under which home life must be built up in our day. The home of twenty-five years ago is gone, and will never return. Corresponding changes have come into every department of life, and call for complete readjustment to a new environment. Business conditions and methods have altered; social alignments are not now the same as formerly; in the church, broader visions and new ideals have led to other and better ways of doing things; and the home and family life is likewise affected, and requires fresh adjustment. These changes, perhaps, have not all been good. But progress involves change, and carries with it certain risks; but we must conclude that after making allowance for all that is only temporary, the net result is good.

The home, perhaps, most of all, has been wrought upon by these new conditions. In the home more than in business or in society there is a possible elasticity. Things can be made to yield under the family roof more easily than outside, and in the midst of the changes common to all departments of life, home has been made to give way to a degree that is unwarranted. But there are special influences that have attacked the home and made ideal family life well-nigh impossible.

Economic Changes

The development of business has produced large industries, and has driven the people to the cities and manufacturing centers. To make profits bigger, people have been crowded together, and individual ownership of a house and lot is now almost out of the question. Industrial workers under the best conditions are crowded into small quarters, and in many cases families occupy the space that would be inadequate for one, making home life impossible.

Another problem is that women have been taken out of the home and forced to become wage-earners. The low wage of the husband and father must be supplemented by the wage of the wife and mother. In order to make a living the home has had to suffer, give way, and break down before industrial progress. The long hours that workers have to serve, and the tension under which they labor, result in a nervousness and a weariness that make them unfit for those duties that are so essential to proper home building.

Social Changes

There was a time when people found their social life largely within the family circle, when father and mother, brothers and sisters, meant more to each other than any others did. Because of the enlarged contact with the outside world the social circle has been widened, and to-day each member of the family finds his own friends and his own associates outside of the home, resulting in many social demands, all of which tend to break up the unity of the family circle.

We have come upon a period when amusement and personal pleasure are dominant in common life. There is a passion to go, to see, to do. There is a danger of disregarding the common good for the sake of personal gratification, and this tendency has made inroads upon the family life.

Luxury too has exerted a baneful influence upon the family. With the increase of wealth, the possibility of gratifying one's desires by the expenditure of money has destroyed the initiative that in other days brought the family together in cooperative endeavor to brighten life.

The social changes enumerated above have led to a new emphasis in our American living. Not the family, but the individual is now supreme. The family owns no property; the individuals in the family do. The friendships are not so much friendships of the family as they are of the individual members of the family. The ideals are not the ideals of the family, but they are personal ideals, and there may be a great variety of ideals in one family. The solidarity of this group is lost, as each member of the group has his own plan, his own purpose, his own direction of movement, and his own ideals.

Religion in the Home

The effect of these changed conditions upon the religious influence in the home will readily be understood. With the home life so greatly disturbed, regular and formal family worship becomes exceedingly difficult, often impossible. The family is seldom together at one time, and when together it is for only a few moments at mealtime before a hurried departure to diverse engagements. The early training of children in religious things is seriously interfered with also, because the mother has in so many cases transferred the care of her children to hired nurses, or if she gives personal attention to her children she is often disturbed by other claims of the home, of business, or of society.

The facts in respect to this are shown in the answers to the questionnaire sent out by the Commission on Moral and Religious Education one year ago, in which almost every answer received declares that the custom of daily family devotions is declining. The reasons given for this condition are various. All of the answers received distributed the responsibility to the following causes:

The many claims of modern social life upon the time of members of the household. The lack of privacy in modern living, as for example, apartments, hotels, etc. The growing indifference to religious claims. Some believe that it is due to a lack of vital religious nurture in the pulpit and in the Sunday-school. It is emphasized by some that the decline of formal family worship is because young people in establishing homes have not had their attention called to the importance of this matter, and allow the home customs to be started without due thought to this matter.

Of all the answers received, only two differed from the general opinion that the custom of daily family devotions is declining, and these two make the exception of agricultural districts and certain sections in the South that have not been so much affected by the economic and social conditions that have come to prevail generally throughout this country.

Let it be understood that nothing can take the place of religion in the home. No children's church or junior meeting, no Sunday-school organization or cradle-roll or beginners' department can suffice as a substitute for that which the home is capable of, and responsible for, supplying.

It is considered by many that the old forms of religious devotions in the family are almost obsolete. The terms used in reply to the questionnaire above referred to are most emphatic in this respect. There are many who are endeavoring earnestly to perpetuate the old practice, but where it is carried out it is scarcely a success, and far from satisfactory. With many it is manifestly the perpetuation of a form, and if the emphasis upon the form is too great, it is possible that the spirit of the exercise will be so impaired as to detract greatly from its value.

In this matter we are at a point of transition in family and home life. We face a most important and serious question. We have come to feel that the spirit of family worship is more important than the form or order it may take. With this conviction, we are allowing the forms of the past to go. The danger is that in permitting the form to pass, we shall lose the spirit as well. Our problem is how to retain the spirit and value of family worship and devotions by some form and method better suited to the times in which we live and the conditions under which we operate.

Family religion is largely a thing of atmosphere, and if this atmosphere can be treated and perpetuated by other means that may be suggested, we can well allow the forms of yesterday to go for the sake of adapting to our modern life the thing that is so essential in the development of personality in the children of our homes, for the sake of their

own lives, and their influence upon society and upon the nation. Religion does not consist in exercises or orders of worship. It is a thing of spirit and life. This is frankly acknowledged, but there is in it a subtle danger. The Quaker may represent an ideal of Christianity in his silent waiting for the inner light, but there must be a certain vigorous spiritual life to enable one to be a good Quaker. Many of our people are not living in the spirit, and therefore would find themselves altogether unable to measure up to the task of creating and maintaining a religious spirit in the home apart from some form or order.

If it is not possible to secure the gathering of the family around the home table at the morning hour, or in the evening at dinnertime, we must discover some other form that is possible, in order to give embodiment to the spirit that we desire, and to extend that spirit in the home life of America for the sake of the whole life of America.

Possible Remedies

Bearing in mind the importance of home life and family religion, remembering the economic and social changes that are going on, and with full regard to the necessity of adapting our methods to changed conditions, we are brought face to face with the problem of adjustment, in order to give to our day all that our forefathers enjoyed in family religion, and more.

Let it be understood that the Commission does not hope to offer a panacea that will cure all the ills of home life. The best we can hope to do is to call the attention of the people to the conditions that exist, and offer some suggestions by which a new and vital sentiment may be built up, and a habit of home life made possible in the face of the many obstacles that stand in the way. But this will require patience and diligent effort, for it will be a matter of time before the social body will be affected by the growing sentiment.

First, the church must reemphasize the place of the family. In most of our religious thinking we consider individuals, and the family naturally falls into the background. Families do not go to church together; families are not identified with churches. Some members of the family belong to this church; some members of the family belong to another, and some belong to none at all. The family is broken. We must reintroduce into our religious thinking the conception of the family's solidarity.

This puts upon the pastor a very important and responsible task; but a task that is possible with some patient and systematic work.

In connection with the marriage services there is a chance for a word of serious advice about home-making, and no one can speak it more fittingly than the minister who is chosen by the woman and the man to speak the word of religious sanction to the union of their lives. By his word a religious element may be put into the home life then, better than at any other time.

When the first child comes to the home there is another opportunity to give religious emphasis to home life. Our Baptist opposition to making

church-members of babies by a water ceremony has led us to an unintended and unconscious disregard of the relation that ought to exist between the child and the church. What is more natural and proper in a Christian home than that the minister should call soon after the baby is born, and in prayer, after some instruction, ask that the child may live a useful and religious life, and that the parents may be able wisely to teach and guide the new life that has been entrusted to their care? In some cases our Baptist pastors have made such a recognition of responsibility the occasion of a special public service, when the parents, in the presence of the congregation, definitely commit themselves to the task of training the new life for God.

The careful organization of a man's pulpit work would enable him to find a place in his curriculum for some teaching about the family, so that in the congregation he can make clear that the church's thought is that the family should be one, and every member of a family have a personal interest in the welfare of that home life of which he is a part. This pulpit work should make people see that the biggest thing two people can do is to build up a Christian family. The establishment of a family altar as a form, important as it is, is not in itself worth while. The establishment of a Christian family is something that will appeal to the two people who come together as man and wife, and one of the necessary things in order to make their prospective home truly Christian is the maintenance of some form of daily family devotions. They may not be willing to suffer the inconvenience of regular devotions for the sake of the institution that their fathers prized so highly, but to make their family truly Christian is an appeal that will make them glad to overcome any slight obstacles that may be in the way.

Adjustments

There are social readjustments to be considered. The church can raise a clarion voice in favor of giving every man a sufficient income to live; it can, and should, speak with no uncertain sound concerning the necessity of every life having some leisure time in which the deeper things of life, the things of the soul, can be considered. It can speak strongly in favor of such housing conditions as will make it possible for the family to sit together without interruption. These are big questions; they cannot be answered in a moment. The wrongs that are suggested cannot be righted by a turn of the hand, but the challenge must be put up to the church to set its faith and its intelligence to work so as to control economic and social conditions that religion may have a place in the family, and that the family be not made a slave to matters of less importance.

A new emphasis must be put upon parental responsibility. It is natural for fathers and mothers to accept the path of least resistance, even though in doing so they may leave undone some things of vast importance to themselves and to their children. If the pulpit will reemphasize the

duties of the father as the head of the family, and the responsibility of mothers as the natural trainers of children, and demand that these duties be discharged, even at the expense of much inconvenience, the lessons will be learned by those who naturally carry the responsibility, and in time there will be built up a sentiment that will restore to our family life the religious quality that is necessary in order to make our boys and girls fit for their place and work in life.

Care must be exercised in organizing the work of a church that the church may not interfere with what rightly belongs to the home. We have thought of our churches as institutions to be perpetuated. Sometimes we are actuated by the spirit of rivalry. We have brought into our organizations and plans those things that have been operated in other places, and multiplied our machinery to match that of others without due regard to the real needs of the particular field. The result has been in many cases that there have not been workers enough to manage the machine, and we have called men and women from their homes to do things in the church when these same people should have been at home attending to a work intimately related to, and fully as important as, the work of the church itself. The church should never forget the duties that belong to the home, nor should the church accept those duties instead of the home. There should be a strong, persistent emphasis upon the necessity of religion in the home to make it what it ought to be, and this persistently followed will ultimately result in the discovery of some form of family worship suited to the conditions under which we live.

Pastoral visitation is becoming increasingly difficult. The family can scarcely be reached in such visits as the pastor can make, and perhaps but little can be accomplished through this in the building up of religion in the home; but if in visitation as well as in pulpit ministry the pastor will emphasize home life, and the necessity of a religious atmosphere in the home, this atmosphere can be fully maintained through the establishing of such habits of expression as the home conditions will allow.

Parents' classes in the Sunday-school are coming to be recognized as an essential part of a scheme of religious education for the church. The parents' classes may not be permanent, but for a period in each year fathers and mothers can be gathered together for the discussion of questions pertaining to the economy of the home. This will afford, perhaps, the finest possible opportunity for the instruction of young parents in respect to their duty in home worship. The difficulties in the way of family worship can be frankly and sympathetically considered, and out of the wisdom of the pastor, and the earnestness of the parents, a way can be found.

The helpful literature on family religion is not abundant. A book just from the press deserves special mention. It is entitled "Religious Education in the Family," and is written by Dr. Henry F. Cope, secretary of the Religious Education Association. Help will be found too, in "Manhood of the Master," by Harry E. Fosdick, D. D., pastor at Montclair, N. J.

The best time for family worship will be found in general to be in connection with the evening meal. Remembering that most houses are run without paid help, any plan proposed must allow for the care of food preceding the meal, and therefore it is perhaps better that the family worship should follow rather than precede the dinner. The reading of a brief selection of Scripture, a word or two upon it, and a short prayer will perhaps be most generally appropriate. We are in need of some help for family worship. A small handbook prepared for this purpose would prove a great help. A book of three hundred and sixty-five pages, each page standing for a day, and suggesting for each day a few verses of Scripture, two or three lines emphasizing the thoughts of the Scripture, one or two suggestions for general thanksgiving, the mention of two or three subjects for special prayer, and perhaps the verse of a hymn to be read or sung. Such a book placed in the family for religious uses would give direction, selection, variety, and point to family worship, and relieve the exercises of much of the unnaturalness and indefiniteness that have caused some people to be frightened away from that which ought to be a help in every home and a joy in every life.

Folder No. 5. Public Worship—The Morning Service

"Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst."

This promise of Jesus is in itself our call to public worship and our assurance of its spiritual benefits, and is further the revelation that he himself is the organizing force and the inspirational center of Christian worship.

It is only as his followers come together for social worship in the spirit of this promise that the realization of his presence, and therefore the reception of his blessings, are most real.

In view of the importance of social worship as thus revealed in the words of our Master, we need to review the place given to the cultivation and expression of true worship in the thought and activity of our churches.

In general, it must be confessed that our Baptist churches have paid less attention to this phase of the religious life than many of the other Christian communions. This is evidenced among other things by the aspirations of pastors and churches for a much deeper and more adequate public worship as revealed in the answers received from the questionnaires sent out by your committee.

The task of this committee, as we understand it, is to make a careful survey of public worship as at present conducted by our churches and, in the light of our situation and the great principles underlying the cultivation and expression of public worship, make such suggestions as will help our churches realize in larger measure the spiritual results of a more adequate worship.

For the sake of concreteness and definiteness we here concern ourselves with that service in our churches which is *distinctively,* or should be distinctively, the service of public worship—the morning service.

Replies from the various pastors and churches to whom questionnaires were sent indicate certain chief elements of weakness now discernible for which remedies are to be sought. Such a list compiled at random from the replies here follows, and will more clearly set forth the need of an intelligent appreciation of fundamental principles which should govern and direct the worship-function of the church, and which your committee desires to present:

What defects in public worship are most obvious to you?

"Poor hymns (often too individualistic); poor prayer; people do not join heartily in the worship."

"Lack of devoutness in choir."

"Lack of 'kingdom' hymns."

"Meaningless religious hymns.

"Too much sameness. The people think the sermon is all there is to the service."

"Formalism and perfunctoriness."

"Irregularity in attendance."

"Late comers."

"Too much hurry."

"Lack of expectation."

"Too little cooperation on the part of the congregation."

"The most obvious defect is a constant call for money."

In view of these and kindred weaknesses for which remedies are sought, your committee hopes that the following principles with illustrative applications will prove helpful to such pastors and churches as feel the need of guidance in the service of worship, and as such they are suggested.

1. The morning service is distinctively the service of public worship. It should represent and, as far as possible, assemble *all* the various groups to which the church ministers, and it ought to afford to all sorts and conditions of men in the community adequate opportunity to express their common spiritual needs and aspirations, and to acknowledge their common dependence upon God.

The service, as a service of public worship, should therefore give opportunity for all the elements not only of the audience, but also of the church constituency, to find adequate inspiration for and expression of worship; that which, on the one hand, is an emotion of gratitude, reverence, joy, trust, devotion to and dependence upon God, and, on the other, an expression of this emotion in suitable form of word or act.

One very noticeable defect in the morning service of worship is the very general lack of opportunity for the *children* to participate in the worship in a way that is natural and normal to them. No service for the children alone, however well arranged, can safely be made a *substitute* for the regular morning service where the sense of togetherness in worship needs to be present in order to realize the best results from worship. The children must be made to feel that the service is for *them*, a certain portion should be especially adapted to them—hymn, responses, sermon story, etc. Dismiss the children after a short service if deemed

wise, but do not rob them of the educational and inspirational value of participating naturally in the *public* worship of the church.

2. Such an attitude of common worship demands in the service a maximum amount of congregational participation. This may be secured through:

(1) Responsive readings.
(2) Congregational singing.
(3) Congregational prayers.

The sense of common worship preserved by a congregation is directly related to and often proportional with the amount of its active participation in the service itself. A minister cannot easily lift his congregation, but the congregation can easily lift itself. The responsive reading has long been recognized as a natural place for such general participation. Experience goes steadily to show the value of short, rather than long, responsive selections, and of brief sentences and, therefore, rapid alternation in the reading.

Much more important, however, than the responsive reading as an element in worship is a part of the service where practically all the replies to the questionnaire confess and bewail great shortcomings—the congregational singing. Part of our correspondents report that the range of hymns used is small, and that some of these are none too well sung; and many of them comment unfavorably on their hymnal, which, in a surprisingly large number of cases, is named as the "Baptist." One cannot help wishing that many of our Baptist ministers and laymen might visit some of the public services of our English Baptist brethren, in order to hear some really good congregational singing. One such experience is enough to make one realize what a strong bond of social fellowship and religious inspiration our American churches generally miss through their usually poor congregational singing. Improvement at this point would perhaps do more than any other one thing to raise the standards of our public worship.

While such improvement must undoubtedly be slow, the steps toward it are plain. Careful selection of hymns in relation to the general theme of the service, avoidance so far as possible of the pernicious habit of "cutting" hymns, wise direction of attention to the authors of the words or music or to the thought of the hymn—all these help; more helpful is the presence of children who have learned to sing the hymns in Sunday-school, along with adults who have similarly sung them in prayer-meeting; most helpful of all is a voluntary chorus-choir and a democratic type of church music. In hymn-singing, perhaps more than anything else, example and enthusiasm are contagious.

One other aspect of common worship which has been even more overlooked by our Baptist churches is congregational prayer. With the example of our Lord and of his own prayer before us, it is indeed strange that we have been so slow and reluctant to introduce other common prayers into our service. Prejudice against ritual and formalism and desire for spontaneity and sincerity have doubtless been the controlling,

and surely insufficient, reasons for this reluctance. It is worth remembering that the General Confession and Thanksgiving, perhaps the two noblest common prayers in our language, are the property, not as is supposed of one denomination, but of our common Protestant Christianity; for both were born out of the heart of the Reformation, one among the reformed churches of Geneva, the other in Puritan England. Those who have seen how general and spontaneous a participation these prayers can evoke when used regularly in morning worship by a Baptist congregation have come to believe that our services would be greatly enriched, and our spirit of worship greatly deepened, by a larger use of congregational prayers offered in unison.

3. Every element in the service from the beginning to the close should contribute to a deepening sense of God's presence and a set determination to do his will.

In our Baptist churches the sermon has been magnified and other parts of the service neglected. No less importance is to be attached to the business of preaching, but the sermon reaches its highest efficiency only when surrounded and supported by an entire service that is helpful and inspiring.

We would urge care in the selection of the hymns in order that (1) the congregations should be made familiar with the great hymns that outlive single generations of Christian people; (2) that variety in congregational singing may be secured; and (3) that the service may be unified and a single note struck in all parts of it.

We urge that inasmuch as public worship really reaches its highest point in the act of prayer, the minister should be encouraged to prepare his prayers with somewhat the same care that he bestows upon the preparation of his sermon in order that every phase of prayer may be recognized, and that all varieties of human need may from time to time be remembered at the throne of grace in an orderly and adequate fashion, and in language appropriate, simple, and dignified.

4. The outward setting and surroundings of the service should always be such as to conduce to, and never such as to detract from or interrupt, this common attitude and atmosphere of worship. All details of ushering, announcements, congregational rising and sitting, etc., should be regulated with this in view.

5. Leadership in such a service of worship is one of the solemn responsibilities of the minister, and should always be entered upon with humble reverence, in simple dignity and sincerity, and only after careful preparation, not simply of the sermon, but of all parts of the service.

6. The development of the worshipful spirit cannot come alone through the opportunities offered for its manifestation, but definite plans must be laid and carried out for *graded instruction* in worship from the youngest to the oldest in the church-membership and constituency. The same care and attention should be bestowed upon the worship-side of every service in the church, Sunday-school, young people's and women's meetings, etc.

Fundamentally, worship to be real and effective must be the expression of the religious life, simplicity and sincerity being possible with diversity of form.

I. Suggested Bibliography on Worship

General

"Christian Worship," Richard Painter.
"Worship," Century Company.
"Public Worship," Pattison.
"Public Worship in Non-liturgical Churches," Hoyt.

Prayer

"Prayers of the Bible," McFadyen.
"Extemporaneous Prayers," Talling.

Scripture

"Use of the Bible in Worship," Hall.
"Aids to Common Worship," Century Company.

Hymns

"History and Use of Hymns and Hymn Tunes," Breed.
"Musical Ministries," Pratt.
"Music in Western Churches," Dickerson.

Manuals

"Book of the Common Order of the Church of Scotland."
"New Directory for Public Worship," United Free Church of Scotland.
"Common Worship," Presbyterian Church of the United States.
"Common Order of Morning Worship," Hungerford.
"Prayer-book," Church of England.

II. Suggested Hymnals for Church Worship

"Hymns of the Kingdom," Coffin and Vernon; Baptist edition, C. W. Gilkey, editor; A. S. Barnes, publisher.

"Church Hymns and Tunes," Turner and Tucker; A. S. Barnes, publisher.

"Hymns of Worship," Littlefield, editor; Century Company.

"Hymns of the Church Militant," Century Company.

III. Suggested Orders of Service

Morning	*Evening*
Organ voluntary.	Organ recital.
Doxology.	Hymn.
The Lord's Prayer.	Invitation to prayer.
Adoration, "Holy, Holy, Holy."	Pastoral prayer.
The Psalter.	Lesson.
Gloria Patri.	Anthem.

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Anthem.
Pastoral prayer.
Hymn.
Offertory.
Dedication of offering.
Sermon.
Quartet.
Hymn.
Benediction and silent prayer.

Morning

Organ voluntary.
Doxology; Call to Worship; Invocation.
Responsive reading.
Gloria (congregation standing).
The children's talk.
Hymn (children's hymn).
Organ (recessional for children).
Congregational prayer.
Scripture reading.
The intercessory prayer.
Offertory.
Hymn.
Sermon.
Postlude.

Morning

Organ voluntary.
Call to worship.
Anthem.
Ascription.
Responsive reading.
Gloria Patri.
Scripture lesson.
Hymn.
Prayer.
Offertory.
Solo.
Supplication.
Sermon.
Hymn.
Prayer and benediction.
Silent devotion.
Organ postlude.

Evening

Offertory.
Dedication of offering.
Hymn.
Sermon.
Solo.
Hymn.
Benediction and silent prayer.
Organ postlude.

Evening

Organ recital.
Song service.
The Lord's Prayer.
Scripture reading.
Anthem.
Prayer.
Offertory.
Hymn.
Sermon.
Hymn.
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Postlude.

Evening

Organ recital.
Anthem.
Hymn.
Scripture lesson.
Quartet.
Prayer.
Solo.
Offertory.
Hymn.
Sermon.
Hymn.
Prayer and dedication.
Silent devotion.
Organ postlude.

Morning

Organ voluntary.
United praise.
Call to worship.
Responsive reading.
Doxology.
Invocation.
Anthem.
Interlude.
Scripture.
Offertory.
Hymn.
Sermon.
Invitation hymn.
Benediction.
Organ postlude.

Evening

Organ prelude.
Hymn.
Invocation.
Anthem.
Song service.
Scripture lesson.
Offertory.
Sermon.
Hymn.
Benediction.
Organ postlude.

IV. Suggested Congregational Prayers

1. The General Confession.
2. The General Thanksgiving.
3. The Prayer of Saint Chrysostom.

All to be found in the prayer-book of the Church of England, but which belong to no one church. They constitute an inheritance of Protestantism.

The Commission on Moral and Religious Education

Term expires 1915

Rev. T. F. Chambers, Columbus, Ohio.
Rev. H. F. Cope, Chicago, Ill.
Prof. H. K. Rowe, Newton Center, Mass.

Term expires 1916

Rev. W. P. Behan, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. A. A. Shaw, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Term expires 1917

Prof. Ira M. Price, Chicago, Ill., *Chairman.*
Rev. C. W. Gilkey, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. F. D. Elmer, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Ex officio

Rev. S. Z. Batten, *Social Service Secretary, American Baptist Publication Society.*
Rev. Carl D. Case, *Chairman of Commission on Young People's Work.*
Rev. W. E. Chalmers, *Educational Secretary, American Baptist Publication Society.*
Rev. J. M. Moore, *Secretary of Department of Missionary Education.*
Rev. G. T. Webb, *Associate Editor of Periodicals, American Baptist Publication Society.*

165. On motion of Rev. G. T. Webb, of Pennsylvania, the report was adopted.

166. On motion of Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania, it was voted,

That resolutions relative to the Mormon Church and the compensation of superannuated and disabled federal civil service employees be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

167. The following report of the Committee on Young People's Work was presented by Rev. C. D. Case, of New York:

Report of Committee on Young People's Work

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The Young People's Commission, while having at the present time no recommendations upon the subject of young people's work to make to the Northern Baptist Convention, has, nevertheless, two very important matters to present.

The first concerns the enlarged function of the Young People's Commission, which will necessitate for the following year regular sessions of its Executive Committee and a closer affiliation with the activities of the American Baptist Publication Society for young people. The full description of this enlarged work cannot be given to the Convention until certain resolutions have been presented to the Convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America to be held in Oakland in July. It will be sufficient at the present time to state that at the Kansas City Convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, held last July, there was authorized a joint conference between the representatives of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, the Baptist Young People's Union, South, the Baptist Young People's Union of Canada, the American Baptist Publication Society, and the Young People's Commission of the Northern Baptist Convention, to formulate a statement as to the exact relations of these latter organizations to the Baptist Young People's Union of America.

This Conference was held in January of this year at Cleveland. The Baptist Young People's Union of Canada was not represented but expressed by letter its spirit of cooperation; the Baptist Young People's Union, South, was represented unofficially by Dr. I. J. Van Ness; the Baptist Young People's Union of America was represented by Dr. F. L. Anderson, Mr. H. G. Baldwin, and Mr. H. B. Osgood; the Publication Society by Dr. A. J. Rowland, Dr. Guy C. Lamson, Dr. Howard Wayne Smith, and Dr. W. E. Chalmers; and the Young People's Commission by Dr. Carl D. Case and Dr. George T. Webb. By this very representative council, three important resolutions were passed which, out of courtesy to the Baptist Young People's Union of America, will not be presented to the Northern

Baptist Convention until after the Union's Convention to be held in Oakland next July. If these resolutions are adopted by the Oakland Convention it will establish the distinct function of the Young People's Commission as never before, and open to us a much wider field of usefulness.

The second matter we wish to present is the outline of Christian Culture Courses for the year 1915-16. The Bible Readers' Course, with comments written by Prof. Ira M. Price, and the Conquest Missionary Course, under Mrs. George T. Webb, will continue upon the plan of last year. The Sacred Literature Course will be published as a study book with the title, "The Efficient Young People's Society," treating such themes as "Standards of Efficiency," "The Function of the Society," "The Officers and Committees," "Educational Plans," "Missionary Methods," "Social Service," "The Membership," "Stewardship," "The Heart of the Society," "Evangelism," "Preparation for Service," and "An Adequate Program for the Society." The authors of the chapters will be Carl D. Case, George T. Webb, F. G. Detweiler, Clarence Hill Frank, John M. Moore, Samuel Zane Batten, George A. Briggs, Frederick A. Agar, W. H. Geistweit, J. F. Vichert, Amos R. Wells, and W. E. Chalmers.

The Junior Courses will be of the same general plan as the Senior Courses, the Bible Readers' and Sacred Literature Courses being combined for the young people of this age. They will follow the general subject of "Incidents in the Life of Jesus." Mrs. W. E. Chalmers will have charge of and write this course. For the summer months another line of work has been prepared, adapted to the life of the boys and girls during vacation period. It consists of a study of the boys and girls of the Bible.

The Conquest Missionary Course will be especially attractive this year. A unique scheme has been observed in the planning of this work. Miss Olive Crozer Richards will write the lessons in this course, the title of which is "The Illustrated Missionary News."

The Commission has adopted for present use the Standard of Excellence commonly known as the Brooklyn Standard, and in cooperation with the Young People's Department of the American Baptist Publication Society will seek to standardize the work for young people in the Baptist churches in the territory of the Northern Baptist Convention. With the concentration of efforts upon this point it will make our future work more easy, because it will fix the attention of young people upon the proper function of the society, and the goal that is to be attained. Under the arrangements that will be consummated early in the coming year your Commission confidently hopes not only to revive the interest in the work for and by young people, but to crystallize the objective and direct the activities so as to make this department of our work more forceful and satisfactory than it has been.

168. On motion of Rev. C. D. Case, of New York, the report was adopted.

169. The following report of the Committee on City Mission Problems was presented by Rev. C. H. Sears, of New York:

Report of the Committee on City Mission Problems

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The Commission for the study of City Mission Problems presents its seventh report for your consideration. When the Convention was first organized; when we as a denomination were finding ourselves; when all recognized activities were being brought into a somewhat regular co-ordination, the great problems involved in the evangelization of the great multitudes in the congested life of our great cities were also recognized as one of the tasks before us. Therefore, early in the history of the Convention, this Commission was created which has been reporting on important problems in City Mission Work from year to year.

One of the most serious problems has been how to coordinate our City Mission organizations with the Northern Baptist and State Conventions, and also with the National Societies. This important item was upon request of this Commission referred to a special Committee, which has prepared a comprehensive report, which, if approved by the Convention and generally adopted, will give City Mission work a recognized denominational standing and the Societies a standard toward which all can work. If this much can be accomplished this year, we shall be encouraged and continue our studies of the many problems yet remaining and hope from time to time to dispose of them one by one.

In the Commission's report in 1909, presented at the meetings in Portland, the following recommendation was made and adopted by the Convention:

"That an aggressive and cumulative policy be inaugurated in cities where the situation is particularly strategic, until stability and permanency of our Baptist work are secured."

In San Francisco, special consideration was given at the time to Baptist work in line with such special concentration of attention upon a particular city. This year, attention is called to one phase of the work in New York City. The Convention, in Boston in 1914, adopted the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, That the Northern Baptist Convention expresses its high appreciation of the heroic effort of Dr. Edward Judson to establish in New York City, as a fitting and permanent memorial to his father, Adoniram Judson, the Memorial Baptist Church and its property."

"RESOLVED, That the Convention commends to Baptists everywhere the effort of the New York City Baptist Mission Society to raise a fund from individuals which shall insure the continuance of the Memorial Baptist Church and the preservation of its property as such a permanent memorial to Adoniram Judson."

Since this action, owing to the death of Dr. Edward Judson on October 23rd, the situation of the church has become much more serious. A general denominational committee representative of nearly all the States in the Union has been formed to raise within two years a fund of $300,000, to be known as the Judson Memorial Fund, the interest upon which will retire the indebtedness of the church computed at $167,000, chiefly on account of annuity contracts, which at the present time requires annually a charge of about $15,000. The raising of this fund for missionary work will avert the sale of the Memorial Church property, which is both a great Foreign Mission Memorial and a National Home Mission base of strategic importance.

The Commission is advised that good progress is being made, but to accomplish the end there must be general support by the churches. The Commission commends this undertaking to the constituency of the Convention.

The important item of the Daily Vacation Bible-schools has not yet been satisfactorily adjusted. By action of the Convention, it was last year referred to the Publication Society with instructions to look into the advisability of caring for a more systematic development of this department of work. We understand that the Publication Society is willing to take up this work and that they had an item of $10,000 in their budget for the present year. Because it was not clearly understood that the Northern Baptist Convention had committed this work to the Publication Society, the Finance Committee thought it best to omit this item until the Convention had clearly expressed itself.

We again call attention to the great need for an adequate literature for the evangelization of the foreigners. We have conferred with the Publication Society about this matter and some progress toward the obtaining of such literature has been made, but no definite results have as yet been accomplished.

In addition to the usual statistical table, which we have been in the habit of preparing, we have added, at the suggestion of the State Secretaries and Superintendents Association of the Northern Baptist Convention, another table giving the corporate name, name and address of President, and name and address of Secretary of the City Mission organizations in all of the larger cities where it was possible to obtain them. We believe that such a table will be of great help to all mission officials. By consulting this table, they will always be able to locate and address the Baptist headquarters in every one of our large cities.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. GLEISS, *Chairman,*
C. H. SEARS, *Secretary.*

CITY MISSION STATISTICS

	Population, 1910				Annual Appropriation for City Mission Work	Superintendent's Salary	Assistants	Rent	Publications	Total Expenditures for Mission Work
Albany, N. Y.					No report					
Boston, Mass.					6,776.00					
Bridgeport, Conn.					No report					
Buffalo, N. Y.										
Chicago, Ill.										
Cincinnati, O.										
Cleveland, O.					1,700.00					
Columbus, O.					No report					
Dayton, O.					No report					
Denver, Colo.					No report					
Detroit, Mich.										
Des Moines, Ia.					1,700.00					
Erie, Pa.										
Fall River, Mass.										
Grand Rapids, Mich.										
Hartford, Conn.										
Indianapolis, Ind.										
Jersey City, N. J.										
Kansas City, Mo.					4,000.00					
Kansas City, Kans.										
Los Angeles, Cal.						.....	1,400.00	1,200.00	...	
Lowell, Mass.										
Lynn, Mass.										
Milwaukee, Wis.										

CITY MISSION STATISTICS—(Continued)

	Population, 1910	Percentage Foreign born White	City Mission Society or Union	Superintendent or Executive Secretary	Annual Expenditure through City Mission Society	Appropriations by				Total including Funds not paid through City Mission Society
						Home Mission Society	State Convention	Woman's Home Mission Society	Publication Society	
Minneapolis, Minn.	301,408	.29	Yes	Yes	3,000.00	97.00	1,000.00	.....	.....	6,244.00
Newark, N. J.	347,469	.32	Yes	No	966.00	1,039.00	1,029.00	600.00	.....	3,660.00
New Haven, Conn.	133,605	.32	Yes	No	3,319.00	.....	200.00	540.00	.....	3,319.00
New York, Manhattan and Bronx	2,762,522	...	Yes	Yes	79,685.00	5,865.00	.....	2,500.00	2,722.00	95,391.00
Brooklyn and Queens	1,918,392	...	Yes	Yes	41,359.00	3,500.00	.....	1,400.00	400.00	42,459.00
Oakland, Cal.	150,174	.25	Yes	Yes	4,414.00	.....	1,293.00	2,700.00	947.00	8,956.00
Omaha, Neb.	124,096	.22	Yes	No	No report					
Paterson, N. J.	125,600	.36			No report					
Philadelphia, Pa.	1,549,008	.25	Yes	Yes	20,044.00	1,416.00	.....	480.00	1,570.00	22,004.00
Pittsburgh, Pa.	533,905	.26	Yes	Yes	29,078.00	2,370.00	500.00	1,820.00	1,000.00	30,098.00
Portland, Ore.	207,214	.21	Yes	No	.....	1,461.00	1,500.00	1,050.00	.....	5,050.00
Providence, R. I.	224,326	.34	No	No	No report					
Rochester, N. Y.	218,149	.27	Yes	No	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,500.00
St. Louis, Mo.	687,029	.18	Yes	Yes	16,500.00	1,800.00	3,860.00	540.00	.....	†19,500.00
St. Paul, Minn.	214,744	.26	Yes	Yes	New organization					
San Francisco, Cal.	416,912	.32	Yes	No	.....	1,925.00	.....	3,300.00	777.00	.....
Scranton, Pa.	129,867	.27	Yes	No	653.00	533.00	350.00	.....	240.00	1,967.00
Seattle, Wash.	237,194	.26	Yes	No	No work undertaken	.....	.....	2,040.00	.....	.....
Spokane, Wash.	104,402	.21	No	No	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Syracuse, N. Y.	137,249	.22	Yes	No	No report					
Springfield, Mass.	88,926	.33	Yes	No	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Toledo, O.	168,497	.19	Yes	Yes	2,242.00	.....	.....	400.00	.....	2,642.00
Washington, D. C.	331,069	.08	Yes	Yes	7,375.00	500.00	.....	300.00	.....	7,875.00
Worcester, Mass.	149,986	.33	Yes	No	1,025.00	800.00	400.00	.....	.....	1,825.00

†Southern Baptist Convention Home Board $2,546 of this amount.

While great effort has been made to make this report accurate, we have been compelled to rely upon reports from the several cities. The Commission would appreciate corrections.

DIRECTORY OF CITY MISSION SOCIETIES

Name of City	*Name of Organization*	*Name of President*	*Name of Secretary*
Albany, N. Y.	No report		
Boston, Mass.	Boston Baptist City Mission Society.	Elmer S. Butler, 800 Ford Bldg.	Rev. Hugh A. Heath, 503 Tremont Temple.
Bridgeport, Conn.	No organization.		
Buffalo, N. Y.	The Buffalo Baptist Union.	George E. Dorland, 52 Edna Place.	Rev. J. J. Patterson, 210 Ashland Ave.
Chicago, Ill.	The Baptist Extension Union of Chicago.	Shailer Mathews, D.D., University of Chicago.	Rev. F. L. Anderson, 107 S. Wabash Ave.
Cincinnati, O.	Cincinnati Baptist Church Union.	G. M. Peters, Cincinnati, O.	Mr. T. C. Shipley, Wyoming, O.
Cleveland, O.	The Cleveland Baptist City Mission Society.	C. H. Pfennig, 1044 Hoyt Block	Rev. G. R. Richards, 1234 Scofield Bldg.
Columbus, O.	Columbus Baptist Union	M. B. Griffith, 299 W. Fifth Ave.	Mr. George Banks, 814 Reibold Bldg.
Dayton, O.	The Dayton Baptist Union	Ira Crawford, 10 Beckel Bldg.	Mr. G. W. Lee, 1755 Pontiac St.
Denver, Colo.	The Denver Baptist City Mission Society.	H. F. Wilkinson, Century Bldg.	
Des Moines, Ia.	Baptist Union of Des Moines.	J. H. Cochrane, 1019 Locust St.	Rev. Frank A. Case, 1626 W. 11th St.
Detroit, Mich.	Detroit Baptist Union, Incorporated	William Moore, 268 Mullett Ave.	
Erie, Pa.	Erie Baptist Union.	Rev. L. C. Bennett, 560 E. 23rd St	J. N. Wilson, 124 W. Third St.
Fall River, Mass.	No report.		
Grand Rapids, Mich.	Baptist City Mission Society of Grand Rapids.	William P. Lovett, Grand Rapids	Rev. C. D. Thornton, 137 Rose St.
Hartford, Conn.	The Hartford Baptist Union	L. A. Wiley, 732 Main St.	Mr. E. B. Bliss, 173 Collins St.
Indianapolis, Ind.	Baptist Board of Missions of Indianapolis	Dr. G. V. Woolen, Indianapolis.	Rev. Cromwell P. Kirby, Indianapolis.
Jersey City, N. J.	Baptist Church Extension Society of Hudson County, N. J.	Horace Roberson, 97 W. 8th St., Bayonne, N. J.	Rev. R. H. Johnson, 163 Bowers St., Jersey City, N. J.
Kansas City, Kans.	Kansas City, Kans., Baptist Mission Society.		
Kansas City, Mo.	Kansas City Baptist Mission	C. D. Wheatcroft, 3941 Grand Ave.	Rev. Ray E. York, 2062 Walnut Blvd.
Los Angeles, Cal.	Los Angeles Baptist City Mission Society	Rev. John Southland, 240 McMillan Bldg.	Rev. H. W. Ong, 1014 Quarter St. Rev. J. S. Watson, 1061 San Fernando, 1046
Lowell, Mass.	No report.		
Lynn, Mass.	Baptist City Mission Board.	E. W. Pinkham, Chatham St.	Rev. W. A. Kinzie, 15 Jackson St.
Milwaukee, Wis.	Milwaukee Baptist Social Union.	C. C. Hosmer, First National Bank Bldg.	Mr. H. W. Hausman, Corner Block.
Minneapolis, Minn.	Minneapolis Baptist Union	F. C. Nickels, 511 Nicollet Ave.	Rev. G. W. Ball, 405 Evanston Bldg.
Newark, N. J.	Newark Baptist Mission Society.		Rev. D. D. DeWolf, Newark, N. J.

DIRECTORY OF CITY MISSION SOCIETIES—(Continued)

Name of City	*Name of Organization*	*Name of President*	*Name of Secretary*
New Haven, Conn...	New Haven Baptist Union.	F. S. Bishop, 42 Church St.	Mr. C. P. Walker, New Haven, Conn.
New York, Manhattan and Bronx....	New York City Baptist Mission Society.	H. N. McKinney, 200 Fifth Ave.	Rev. Charles H. Sears, 162 Second Ave.
Brooklyn & Queens..	The Baptist Church Extension Society of Brooklyn and Queens.	E. Reed Burns, Brooklyn, N. Y.	Rev. Edwin P. Farnham, Richmond Hill, N. Y.
Oakland, Cal.....	Baptist Church Extension Society of Oakland and Vicinity.	L. P. Russell, Alameda, Cal.	Rev. F. I. Drexler, 1734 Walnut St.
Omaha, Neb.....	Omaha Social Union.	J. A. Maxwell, D.D., Omaha.	
Paterson, N. J	No report.		
Philadelphia, Pa.....	Philadelphia Baptist City Mission Society.	R. L. Hudson, 1744 Erie Ave.	Rev. O. T. Steward, 1701 Chestnut St.
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Pittsburgh Baptist Association.	A. A. DeLarme, McKeesport.	Rev. H. C. Gleiss, 902 Columbia Bank Bldg.
Portland, Ore.....	Portland City Mission Union.	H. P. Stone, Y.M.C.A. Bldg.	Rev. C. O. Wright, Y.M.C.A. Bldg.
Providence, R.I.....	No organization.		
Rochester, N. Y.....	Rochester Baptist City Mission Board, Incorporated.	C. H. Rust, D.D., Rochester, N. Y.	
St. Louis, Mo.....	St. Louis Baptist Mission Board, Incorporated.	C. P. Center, 25 S. Third St.	Rev. S. E. Ewing, 207 Metropolitan Bldg.
St. Paul, Minn.....	The St. Paul Baptist City Union.	Rev. W. P. Canine, 1058 E. Sixth St.	
San Francisco, Cal...	Baptist Church Extension Society of San Francisco.	Geo. E. Burlingame, D.D., 21 Octavia St.	Mr. Robert B. Marsh, 714 Market St.
Scranton, Pa.....	City Mission Society of Scranton and Vicinity.	E. W. Williams, Scranton, Pa.	Rev. W. G. Watkins, 1300 W. Gibson St.
Seattle, Wash.....	Seattle Baptist Union.	Mr. R. S. Moody, 215 21st Ave.	Mr. Carl Forland, 102 Fairview St.
Spokane, Wash.....	No organization.		
Syracuse, N. Y.....	Onondaga Social and Missionary Union.		Rev. J. L. Pinn, 608 E. Washington St.
Springfield, Mass....	Springfield Baptist Missionary Union.	A. S. Howe, 111 Euclid Ave.	J. E. Stevenson, 29 Ringold St.
Toledo, O.....	Toledo Baptist Union.	N. P. Mackinden, 711 Magnolia St.	Rev. W. Pfeiffer, 2470 Franklin Ave.
Washington, D. C....	Columbia Association of Baptist Churches.	Wm. A. Wilbur, 1205 Columbia Road.	Rev. J. W. Many, Station H, R.F.D. 2.
Worcester, Mass.....	Worcester Baptist City Mission Board.	Geo. F. Brooks, Worcester, Mass.	
Youngstown, O.....	Missionary Committee of the Trumbull Baptist Association.	Bruce Rogers, 339 Falls Ave.	Rev. Raymond H. Tracy, Hubbard, O.

170. Rev. C. H. Sears, of New York, moved that the report be received and adopted.

171. The report was discussed by Rev. S. E. Ewing, Rev. G. P. Mitchell, Rev. C. D. Case, Rev. E. F. Merriman, and Rev. J. H. Beaven.

172. Rev. J. H. Beaven, of Washington, moved that the motion be amended to read,

That the report be received and adopted after striking out the statement concerning Vacation Bible-schools.

173. The motion to amend was discussed by Rev. G. E. Burlingame, Rev. O. T. Steward, Rev. S. Z. Batten, Rev. C. M. Gallup, Rev. L. P. Valentine, and Rev. L. A. Crandall.

174. On motion of Secretary L. A. Crandall it was voted,

That the two motions be laid upon the table until after the report of the Committee on Reports of Cooperating Organizations. (See Items 349-351.)

175. The following report of the Committee on Correlation was presented by Rev. C. H. Sears, of New York:

Report of the Committee on Correlation

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The undersigned Committee on the Correlation of City Mission Work was appointed by the President, in accordance with a resolution passed at the Convention held at Boston to consider the whole question of the relation of City Mission Organizations and their work to the Convention and its cooperating and its affiliated organizations. (See Annual of 1914, pp. 116f.)

The necessity which called it into being arose from the difficult conditions in which our City Mission Organizations find themselves. They are doing a large and very important work, and yet have thus far been unable to secure a recognized position in our new denominational machinery. Consequently, they have suffered considerably, especially in their relation to State Conventions, State Apportionment Committees, and the budgets. Your Committee met in New York, December 30, 1914, with every member but one present, and, after a thorough discussion of the entire situation, came to the conclusions embodied in the following resolutions. These measures, if carried out, seem to the Committee likely to solve all the difficulties and aid in many ways toward correlation and mutual helpfulness.

We therefore recommend that the Northern Baptist Convention pass the following series of resolutions:

1. *Resolved,* That the City Mission Commission is hereby authorized to prepare for publication in each annual of the Northern Baptist Convention a list of all the City Mission Organizations within the territory of the Northern Baptist Convention, giving the corporate titles of the societies, the names and addresses of the presidents, the secretaries, and the treasurers, and such financial and other information as shall seem advisable. The City Mission Commission is also requested to seek the insertion of the above in the "Baptist Year-Book."

2. *Resolved,* That every City Mission Organization be requested to insert in each of its annual reports a brief statement of the work of its State Convention, with the names and addresses of its president, secretary, and treasurer.

3. *Resolved,* That the City Mission Commission be directed to attempt to secure uniformity in the statistical and financial reports of City Mission Organizations so as to give proper recognition to the contributions of the national and all other missionary bodies, with a full explanation of their import, and the proper distinction between current and permanent funds.

4. *Resolved,* That the State Conventions should publish in each of their annuals a full directory of all cooperating organizations of the Northern Baptist Convention and all denominational missionary organizations within the State, including the City Mission Organizations, giving in every instance the corporate name of the society, and the names and addresses of its president, secretary, and treasurer, and a brief statement of its work.

5. *Resolved,* That the State Conventions should gather and present in one place in their annuals a financial statement, showing all offerings for all purposes, and especially plainly distinguishing the contributions for city missions.

6. *Resolved,* That there should be a full interchange of reports and literature between the City Mission Organizations and their respective State Conventions.

7. *Resolved,* That the Convention recognize as a Standard City Mission Organization one that meets the following requirements:

(*a*) Located in a city of fifty thousand population or over.

(*b*) Composed of representatives of churches and other denominational organizations.

(*c*) Raising for local city mission work not less than three thousand dollars annually.

8. *Resolved,* (*a*) That the attention of the State Apportionment Committees be called to the resolution of the Northern Baptist Convention of 1909, relating to a unified budget as follows:

"That State and Associational Apportionment Committees be requested to cooperate so far as possible with the officials or committees of City Mission or Church Extension Societies in presenting missionary budgets to the churches, and that whenever practicable they unify in a single budget all legitimate appeals for world-wide, national, State, and City Missions, and forward under one schedule to the churches."

(*b*) That in its discretion each Association in which a standard City Mission Organization is located may appoint an Associational Apportionment Committee, or in case two or more Associations are included in the same city, such Associations appoint a joint Associational Apportionment Committee.

(*c*) That the State Apportionment Committee send its apportionments for the Association or Associations (and not for the individual churches therein) to each Associational Apportionment Committee aforesaid.

(*d*) That the Associational Apportionment Committee be authorized to add for city mission and other local work such sums and apportionments as are approved by the Committee, and that the entire amount for all objects be distributed by the Committee to the several churches.

(*e*) That the Association and its several churches be held responsible for the raising of the full amount of the combined budget, national, State, and local.

9. *Resolved,* That it is the sense of the Convention that the superintendents or secretaries of City Mission Organizations should be members of the State Board, and that the State Superintendent or Secretary should be a member of each City Mission Board.

10. *Resolved,* (*a*) That the affiliated State Conventions, which have a form of organization similar to that of the Northern Baptist Convention, are requested to consider the advisability of permitting the City Mission Organizations to become affiliated with them.

(*b*) That each State Convention should appoint a Standing Committee on City Work for the consideration of city conditions and needs in the State; such committee should include representatives of City Mission Organizations, where such exist, and every City Mission Organization should report to the aforesaid standing committee, except where the City Mission Organization has become an affiliated body.

(*c*) That each State Convention and each City Mission Organization within the State should adopt a definite agreement for cooperation in the prosecution of the work of each and in soliciting contributions.

(*d*) In States where no effective City Mission Organization exists in any city, it is recommended that the State Convention make city mission work a department under its immediate direction and control.

11. *Resolved,* That the present policy, pursued by our national cooperating organizations, of contributing directly to the support of the larger City Mission Organizations, be approved.

(Signed) Frederick L. Anderson, *Chairman,*
Charles H. Sears, *Secretary,*
Ambrose Swasey,
H. C. Gleiss,
Charles L. White,
Bergen D. Stelle,
Julia A. Dickerson,
W. A. Davison,
Frank Peterson.

176. Rev. C. H. Sears, of New York, moved that the report be received and adopted.

177. Rev. E. R. Pope, of Minnesota, moved that the motion to receive and adopt the report be amended by striking out recommendations (*b*), (*c*), (*d*) of section 8.

178. On motion of Rev. G. P. Mitchell, of Iowa, it was voted that the two motions be laid upon the table. (See Items 352-354.)

179. On motion of Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania, the following resolution was referred to the Executive Committee:

WHEREAS, The Baptist Laymen's Missionary Movement has rendered a signal service to the cause of Christ; and

WHEREAS, The work of this movement is in large part included in the work of the Department of Missionary Education and the Baptist Brotherhood;

Therefore *Resolved*, That the Executive Committee be requested to effect such readjustment of the Baptist Laymen's Missionary Movement as seems most desirable.

180. On motion of Secretary L. A. Crandall it was voted to receive the following communications:

HOUSTON, TEX., May 17, 1915.

To the Northern Baptist Convention, in Session at Los Angeles, Cal.:

DEAR BRETHREN: The fraternal message of Dr. W. C. Bitting, your Corresponding Secretary, has been read to our Convention, and the Secretary instructed to reply.

We rejoice with you in the evidences of the awakening to a sense of personal responsibility by the laymen of our churches as to the debts of our great Mission Boards and their important work; and in the wonderful blessing of God upon the work of our missionaries at home and abroad.

We unite our prayer with yours for the hastening of the rule of the Prince of Peace in all hearts and in all lands; and that God will yet cause "the wrath of man" to praise him.

We have appointed as fraternal delegates to bear to you our greeting and assurance of our joy that we are laboring together for the coming of the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ: Hon. C. A. Smith, South Carolina; Rev. S. J. Porter, D. D., Texas; Rev. B. J. W. Graham, D. D., Georgia; Rev. C. T. Ball, Texas; Rev. P. T. Hale, D. D., Kentucky; Rev. J. T. Henderson, Tennessee.

OLIVER FULLER GREGORY,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
Secretaries.

181. President E. S. Clinch extended the greetings of the Convention to the delegates from the Southern Baptist Convention.

182. President E. S. Clinch presented Hon. C. A. Smith, ex-governor of South Carolina, who addressed the Convention.

183. President E. S. Clinch presented Prof. P. T. Hale, of Kentucky, who addressed the Convention.

184. President E. S. Clinch presented Rev. J. T. Henderson, of Tennessee, Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Southern Baptist Convention, who addressed the Convention.

185. Secretary L. A. Crandall presented the following communication:

MESSAGE OF FRATERNAL GREETING FROM THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

To the Northern Baptist Convention of the Baptist Church of the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN IN THE LORD: At the Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Church, assembled in Los Angeles, May 19 and 20, 1915, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That the fraternal greetings of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Los Angeles in Convention assembled be extended to the Northern Convention of the Baptist churches of the United States now in session in the city of Los Angeles. Further, we beg to assure them of our prayers, that God will bless their deliberations and hasten the day when all of God's people may be one in the great cause of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

ROBERT LLOYD WINDSOR, *Assistant Secretary.*

186. On motion of the Recording Secretary it was voted,

That the Corresponding Secretary be authorized to make suitable reply to the greetings of the Protestant Episcopal Churches of the Diocese of Los Angeles.

187. On motion it was voted to adjourn to meet for worship on Sunday, May 23, at 11 a. m.

AMERICAN BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

188. The meeting was called to order by Rev. P. C. Wright, of Pennsylvania.

189. On motion it was voted that Rev. J. W. Brougher, of California, serve as Chairman pro tem.

190. On motion it was voted that Rev. C. M. Gallup, of Rhode Island, serve as Secretary pro tem.

191. On motion of Rev. P. C. Wright, of Pennsylvania, it was voted that the Chairman appoint a Committee on Nomination of Officers, to report later in the meeting.

192. The Chairman appointed the following Committee on Nominations: Rev. O. T. Steward, Pennsylvania; Rev. Leroy Stephens, Pennsylvania; Rev. John Stewart, Rhode Island.

193. The report of the Board of Managers of the Society was presented by Rev. P. C. Wright, of Pennsylvania.

194. On motion of Rev. P. C. Wright, of Pennsylvania, the report was adopted.

195. The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by Rev. O. T. Steward, Chairman of the Committee:

President, Rev. Bernard MacMackin, Ridley Park, Pa.
Vice-president, Rev. Lansing Burrows, Americus, Ga.
Secretary, Rev. J. W. Lyell, Camden, N. J.
Treasurer, Rev. R. B. Cook, Wilmington, Del.
Librarian, Prof. F. G. Lewis, Crozer Seminary, Chester, Pa.

Board of Managers. Rev. T. S. Samson, Philadelphia, Pa.; D. P. Leas, Philadelphia, Pa.; Prof. S. B. Meeser, Chester, Pa.; Rev. P. C. Wright, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. W. C. Calder, Philadelphia, Pa.; J. P. Crozer, Upland, Pa.; Arthur Malcom, Philadelphia, Pa.; H. S. Hopper, Philadelphia, Pa.; C. S. Walton, St. Davids, Pa.; J. B. Stetson, Philadelphia, Pa.

Vice-presidents. F. W. Barnett, Alabama; Rev. G. A. Learn, Alaska; Rev. T. F. McCourtney, Arizona; R. M. Inlow, Arkansas; M. B. Jones, California; Rev. A. H. C. Morse, Colorado; Rev. T. E. Brown, Connecticut; Rev. T. P. Holloway, Delaware; Rev. J. J. Muir, District of Columbia; Rev. Lincoln Hulley, Florida; Rev. E. C. Dargan, Georgia; Rev. W. E. Henry, Idaho; J. S. Dickerson, Illinois; W. T. Stott, Indiana; Pres. J. A. Earl, Iowa; Rev. J. T. Crawford, Kansas; Prof. W. J. McGlothlin, Kentucky; E. O. Ware, Louisiana; Rev. H. S. Burrage, Maine; Rev. H. A. Griesemer, Maryland; Pres. G. E. Horr, Massachusetts; Pres. J. W. Mauck, Michigan; Rev. E. R. Pope, Minnesota; Rev. W. T. Lowrey, Mississippi; Pres. J. P. Greene, Missouri; Rev. J. F. McNamee, Montana; B. L. Morgan, Nebraska; Rev. G. R. Varney, Nevada; Rev. O. C. Sargent, New Hampshire; J. C. Buchanan, New Jersey; Rev. P. W. Longfellow, New Mexico; Rev. John Humpstone, New York; Henry Sheets, North Carolina; Rev. H. M. Cook, North Dakota; Rev. G. W. Lasher, Ohio; Rev. J. C. Stalcup, Oklahoma; Rev. C. A. Wooddy, Oregon; W. E. Martin, Pennsylvania; Rev. H. M. King, Rhode Island; Pres. E. M. Poteat, South Carolina; Rev. H. R. Best, South Dakota;

Rev. J. M. Frost, Tennessee; Rev. J. M. Carroll, Texas; Rev. L. S. Bowerman, Utah; Rev. Henry Cowles, Vermont; F. W. Beecroft, Virginia; Rev. C. H. Jones, Washington; Rev. F. F. Briggs, West Virginia; Rev. E. B. Edmunds, Wisconsin; Rev. George Van Winkle, Wyoming.

196. On motion it was voted that the Committee on Nominations be authorized to make subsequent substitution of names for any who may be unable to serve.

197. On motion of President E. S. Clinch, the Secretary pro tem was instructed to cast one ballot for the list of officers of the Society presented by the Committee, subject to revision by the Committee.

ELEVENTH SESSION, *Saturday, May 22, 2 P. M.*

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

198. The meeting was called to order by President Mrs. A. G. Lester.

199. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Washington Laycock, of Illinois.

200. The annual address to the Society was delivered by President Mrs. A. G. Lester.

201. The following persons addressed the Society: Mrs. George W. Coleman, on "Head, Hand, and Heart"; Mrs. L. A. Crandall, on "The Baptist Woman in the Church To-day"; Miss Lyde Jenkins, on "A Tale of Ten Cities."

202. On motion, after prayer by Rev. C. M. Gallup, of Rhode Island, the Society adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

TWELFTH SESSION, *Saturday, May 22, 8 P. M.*

JOINT SESSION OF
The American Baptist Foreign Mission Society
AND
The American Baptist Home Mission Society

203. The meeting was called to order by D. K. Edwards, of California, President of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

204. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. H. Walker, of California.

205. President Edwards introduced Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, of New York, who addressed the Societies on "The Task of American Christianity as Related to National Life."

206. Rev. C. H. Jones, of Washington, President of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, introduced Dean Shailer Mathews, of Illinois, who addressed the Societies on "American Christianity and the World Situation."

207. On motion, and after prayer by Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania, the meeting adjourned.

THIRTEENTH SESSION, *Sunday, May 23, 11 A. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

208. The session was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

209. Prayer was offered by Rev. G. E. Burlingame, of California.

210. Scripture was read by Rev. John Snape, of Washington.

211. Rev. C. H. Jones, of Washington, preached the Convention sermon, his subject being, "Can We Still Be Baptists?"

Can We Still Be Baptists?

"And Jesus came to them and spake unto them, saying, All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth. Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matt. 28 : 18-20, American Revision).

Jesus is ultimate authority, ultimate power, ultimate victory. With unique self-assurance, sublime audacity, and unswerving courage, living, he walked across the metes and bounds of caste, class, race, creed, and sect. Risen from the dead, he calmly claims universal and absolute authority in heaven and on earth, and in the slow unfolding of the centuries his spiritual kingdom has amply accredited these claims. We are here on the King's business. Does the King need us as Baptists in his kingdom? Neither pride of ancestry, pride of opinion, pride of consistency, nor denominational pride can avail here. Baptists must humbly, obediently say with their Lord in Gethsemane, "Not my will, but thine, O Lord, be done." The task of Baptists is not to prop a denomination or to propagate sectarianism—it is to advance the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ!



REV. CARTER HELM JONES

Preacher of the Convention Sermon

I. Testing Times

We are passing through the transition days, resulting from the play of the critical spirit, which has worked through every department of mental activity for the past fifty years. The development of scientific studies has cultivated the inquisitive spirit, which has spread impartially into every field of learning. History, philosophy, literature, civics, economics, education—all have felt the acid test. *Shall religion be exempt from this critical examination?* It could not if it would, and it should not if it could. The testimony of geology, the development of the new science of biology, the application of the evolutionary theories suggested by Charles Darwin, together with the so-called higher critical methods as applied to the study of the Bible, all have combined to break up various old molds of thought, doctrine, and expression, thus throwing many stalwart defenders of the faith into confusion and panic.

That a wide-spread feeling of doubt and uncertainty about things religious should arise in many minds was painful, but inevitable. Twenty years ago we smiled when Dr. Henry Van Dyke said: "The age stands in doubt. Its coat of arms is an interrogation-point rampant above three bishops dormant, and its motto is *Query?*" Christianity was unwittingly divided into hostile camps. Believing that the "Ark of God" was about to be overthrown, many doughty champions rushed to its defense with war-cries of regularly ordained shibboleths, alternating with fervid denunciations of the "atheists," "skeptics," and "infidels" who were trying to destroy Christianity.

A few years ago a self-constituted committee of Christian censors wrote to representative ministers in different parts of the country that the professors in our universities were deliberately blasting at the "Rock of Ages," and asked us to preach on the subject. I did, and my first sermon was, "Let them blast." If the Rock of Ages can be blown up, it is a misnomer; and the sooner it goes the better.

Transition days are always painful days. That many precious beliefs and cherished opinions should utterly perish in these merciless crucibles of criticism is a tragic fact in the experience of many good people, who could thus only be taught to distinguish between traditional beliefs and essential truths.

Out of these conflicts Christianity has emerged clearer and stronger. We have a greater God than our fathers knew, and he is nearer and dearer to us. Our Bible is still the supreme Book, and while we may not chart upon our little maps so certainly the channels and currents of its inspiration, or localize the peaks of its search-light prophecies, it is to us a more human and divine word of God. If, out of this religious turmoil, some denominations of Christian people came without a distinctive message or mission, it was what might naturally have been expected. The question with us this day of grace and year of our Lord is, *Have Baptists still a message and mission?*

In the breaking up of creeds, catechisms, standards, ecclesiastical articles, and deliverances, the simple Baptist faith has not been hurt, but rather

helped. Baptists have never "put their trust" in councils or in creeds. While they have formally from time to time put forth a few confessions of faith, such as the New Hampshire Confession or the Philadelphia Confession, these were never intended to be binding upon the minds and consciences of individual Baptists, and could be revoked at pleasure even by those who wrote them. Acknowledging Jesus Christ only as Lord, Baptists hear with joy their King saying, "If the Son shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." Or, again, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Their King is not a dead Christ upon a dead cross, but the Prince of Progress and the Lord of Life. All truth is theirs, from whatever realm or source it comes. To a true Baptist the laboratories of science are as sacred as the pulpits of its preachers; and ascertained facts of biology may be truer than deductions of theology. In loftiest mood, we may paraphrase the Pauline pæan and say: "All things are mine; whether history or philosophy, literature or art, science or theology. All things are mine, because I am Christ's, and Christ is God's." A Baptist has learned from his Master that the new wine of freshly discovered truths cannot be put into old skins of ancient forms or formularies. New truths must have new expression, and every age must hear in its "own tongue." In the rapidly changing political, intellectual, scientific, and social order, the Baptist need not go back into a cemetery to turn upon their rusty hinges the gates of an ancient tomb, that he may take from the crumbling fingers of his forefathers a binding creed, that haply he may adjust it to the vital demands of his new age.

No; wherever progress has advanced along the path of truth a Baptist's place is at the front. For him every pioneer is a friend, every new invention is a servant, and every discovery is an opportunity.

II. Can We Still Be Baptists in the Face of the Demand for Christian Unity?

Christian unity has been alike the dream and the goal of the centuries. The demand upon the denominations for Christian unity comes from at least three quarters.

First, in the interest of fellowship and comradeship. Engaging thought, beautiful ideal; happy the days of Christian brotherhood that know neither the nagging of theological bickering nor the duly appointed ecclesiastical prize-fight. Impressive too, the insistence by many that the masses of unbelievers are only waiting for the passing of denominational differences to rush eagerly into the fold of a united church.

Secondly, the voice of the business world is heard loudly demanding Christian unity in the interest of economic efficiency. They are appalled at the waste of denominational machinery involved in the maintenance of historic churches. Efficiency, that overworked term that needs a long vacation, says to all the denominations: "Get together, and then your appeal to practical sense will be irresistible."

Thirdly, the non-Christian world, in its hunger, in its thirst, in its groping, cries to evangelical Christianity: "We are not interested in your

credal differences, or your distinctions of polity. Give us bread, water, light." As we hear their cry, we must remember that Jesus Christ has trusted the Occident to give its own interpretation to his gospel. Shall we not likewise trust the Orient? Can we not give them Jesus Christ, the only Saviour for dying men, and let them write their own creeds, hymns, and prayer-books?

In view of these demands for Christian unity, and in many instances it is a call for organic union, and recalling also the prayer of our Lord for his people, "that they might be one," let us fairly face the question: *Are Baptists a denominational stumbling-block in the path of Christian unity?*

So desirable is it that Christianity shall present, as far as possible, an undivided front to the non-Christian world, and that, in opposition to the multiform materialism of our complex modern life they shall make every ounce of spiritual efficiency tell, it is evident the denominations should, in self-sacrificing spirit, be willing to surrender all non-essential items—many of them historical and traditional, some of them metaphysical and local—that differentiate them one from another, for the common good of a united body of Christ.

Perhaps all will agree on this, but what shall be the basis and terms of such a union? I confess, when I think of ceasing to be a Baptist, I begin to ask the classic question, "Lord, to whom shall we go?" To the historic Episcopacy with its apostolic succession and its elaborated forms and ceremonies, mellow with the rich tints of time? "Mother Church" frequently calls to her errant children; but back of her, older, larger, stands another "Mother Church" that claims her and all churches in a more logical and "catholic" invitation. Shall we go to the Presbyterian Church, with its stalwart theology, adamantine creeds, Abrahamic covenant, and strangely inconsequent infant baptism? Shall we turn to the goodly fellowship of Methodism, with its warm-hearted evangelism and its easily adjustable theology? We heartily express admiration for these and other evangelical brethren. Nevertheless, I must say, with courteous candor, for Baptists to surrender their denominational existence, to merge with any existing denomination would be to leave a coign of vantage in the kingdom and take a backward step in the path of progress.

And now to our text. Why may not a divided Christendom meet and unite upon these preascension words of Jesus, our Lord?

"Full authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth; go and make disciples of all nations, baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey all the commands I have laid on you. And I will be with you all the time, to the very end of the world." (*Moffatt's translation.*)

For the Baptists this ultimate utterance of Jesus is Charter, Creed, Program, and Promise. If we have any reason or right to exist, it is because with unfaltering faith in the supremacy of Jesus Christ in heaven and

earth yesterday, to-day, and to-morrow we are absolutely committed to the program outlined in his ultimate words:

First, make all nations disciples of Jesus Christ. This does not mean the mere "witnessing of the gospel" by peripatetic evangelists running swiftly from nation to nation that they may hasten the coming of an absent Lord unto the catastrophic salvation of the world. It means the patient winning of heart and transforming of mind into Christian character.

Secondly, baptize those disciples, and only those, into the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The immersion of a disciple in water is the second command in Christ's "Great Commission," and should receive its due emphasis. Because it has been overemphasized sometimes, should it be changed, omitted, or ignored? Who has the authority to erase or alter it? Not a Baptist, surely! He derives his authority in things religious from Jesus Christ only, and to him neither custom, convention, nor comradeship weigh aught where his King has spoken.

If it is urged that a "mere form or ceremony" should not keep Christians apart, and that in things spiritual the letter of the law should not be regarded, we reply, "Certainly not; but whose form or ceremony is this?" Is the ordinance of baptism a human form, an ecclesiastical invention, or a Christian tradition? The scholarship of the world agrees without dissent on the meaning of the word baptism, and the significance of its symbolism. He who "runs and reads" the New Testament knows that Jesus insisted on being baptized at the beginning of his ministry, and in his last message to his disciples made the ordinance binding upon his future disciples everywhere for all time. Has Jesus Christ ever abrogated this command? The picture-loving children of men in every land, every clime, and every age will not read the traditional expositions of the atonement which historic Christianity has embodied into its varying theologies, but as the throngs by the banks of the Jordan in the long ago looked with awe upon the prescient drama in which Jesus enacted his death, burial, and resurrection; thus, as long as humanity sins and suffers, as long as streams run rhythmic to the sea, as long as lakes or pools mirror the heavens above them, so long will the Christ-given symbol of baptism tell the story of a crucified and risen Saviour, of a redeemed soul raised to newness of life.

Thirdly, teach such baptized disciples the elemental truths of Jesus. To lead men into discipleship and then to baptize them does not meet the full measure of the Commission. It is not enough to teach them the commands and doctrines of Jesus. They must be patiently trained to "observe" them. Christianity and culture can never be enemies. They can never be divorced. In fact, Christianity implies culture. The first postulate of a redeemed soul is light, knowledge. A true evangelism apart from morality and ethics, and opposed to culture, is unthinkable. It is a contradiction in terms. Christian culture is the consummate flower of the sciences.

For the victorious fulfilment of these marching orders Jesus pledges his abiding presence. Upon these ultimate commands of Jesus, Baptists take their stand. They claim no monopoly here. This is their intensive creed. It will be as extensive as other Christians will help them make it. This is their inclusive platform; it is exclusive only when other Christians make it so. So then,

III. We Must Be Baptists

Not because we are ambitious to exploit distinctive principles, but because loyalty demands that we maintain divine principles. The word "Baptist" is distasteful to many people, partly because it reminds them of an unfulfilled duty, and partly because it is alliterative with the words "belligerency," "brag," and "bluster." The name is neither inspired nor essential. I am perfectly willing to surrender the denotation whenever the Christian world will adopt and express the connotation. "The disciples were first called Christians at Antioch." Certain modern proponents of intellectual, moral, and spiritual freedom were first called Baptists about the middle of the seventeenth century. Since then their history and mission have been significant, necessary, and honorable. But if ever their distinctive mission shall cease to be distinctive, and their peculiar work accomplished, then they should be called Baptists no longer.

But, to-day, "with malice toward none and charity toward all" who bear the name of Christ, we declare that Baptists have a denominational *raison d'être*, the right to exist. However, we must justify our existence in an age honestly bewildered with conflicting names, claims, creeds, and distinctions. We will not find this justification in the realm of historical succession or "valid" baptisms. Neither can we establish it by the rigorous logic of theological consistency. We cannot make good our claims either by a lexical or exegetical appeal to biblical orthodoxy. Many have been the churches, as men, who have been

> "Faultily faultless,
> Icily regular,
> Splendidly null."

Too long have Baptists "tithed the mint, anise, and cummin" of literalism, and "omitted the weightier matters" of love and liberty. Too long have we carefully maintained cerebral orthodoxies along with cardiac heresies.

Neither can we be Baptists on sentimental grounds. Our Baptist sentiments are, many of them, precious as the pressed flowers of dear, dead memories. Our Baptist traditions are as honored as the epitaphs in our cemeteries, but this forward-looking age is too busy to look over its shoulder, and the past will not hold its attention long. The hungry-hearted, disappointed, but struggling and longing world of to-day sends to the church of Christ the same question that John the Baptist sent from prison to Jesus, "Art thou he that should come, or look we for another?" Without impatience, without dogmatism, passing by alike Scripture and

syllogism in his reply, Jesus said: "Go tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised; to the poor the gospel is preached." Thus Jesus stated the true credentials of Christianity for that age, for this age too.

If, then, we would justify our denominational existence, we must with lip and life declare the truth as it is in Jesus, and in Christ's stead mediate divine help to human need. We too must open blind eyes to the vision splendid; we too must help poor, lame lives to leap along the paths of progress. We must give to leprous society the cleansing touch of physical, mental, and moral sanitation. To lives deaf to the world of sound it must be ours to open the gates of earthly and supernal melodies. Yea, our gospel has power to say to the very dead in sin, ignorance, superstition, ugliness, and hate, "Awake" to the new life of righteousness, knowledge, beauty, and brotherhood. And vain is our profession if we cannot be to the poor, evangels of love, light, and liberty. We accept the challenge hurled by a critical, utilitarian age at every existing institution, "Make good!" In the highest sense we must "make good," or retire and make way for those who will.

If these things be true, *What Manner of Baptists Should We Be?*

First, positive Baptists. Unashamed, unapologetic, our message should ring with the accent of individual conviction, neither inherited nor absorbed, emphatic with an assured faith. Walking softly we should say, "Other men have labored and we are entered into their labors." Walking firmly, we, "upon whom the ends of the ages are come," should thank God because we have "come to the kingdom for such a time."

Secondly, intelligent Baptists. Our service is concerned not only "with the spirit," but "with the understanding also." We should love the Lord, our God, "with all our mind" as well as "with all our might." For a Baptist to be hostile to scholarship, learning, or scientific investigation is to be false to our genius, untrue to our stewardship, disloyal to our Lord, who has ever been a radical iconoclast.

Thirdly, independent Baptists. Free from the thraldom of tradition, custom, or convention. Free to think, speak, interpret, act, and to realize ourselves. Servants of Jesus Christ only, and therefore free to serve all men.

Fourthly, cooperative Baptists. We have a wealth of unity in diversities. How many types of thought, opinion, doctrine, interpretation, method, and ministry we have among us. How we glory in the freedom of each to think his thought, utter his belief, and serve his King in his own way. Let us beware of tests of fellowship among Baptists. "Who art thou that judgest the servant of another? To his own Lord he standeth or falleth." Procrustean beds of orthodoxy are religious anachronisms, outworn furniture that never belonged in Baptist households. With a noble history, an imperative mission, a radiant future, superficial incidentals, hereditary accidentals, provincial or sectional differentials should be lost in the solidarity of a mighty denominational cooperation. Let those who

will, eddy around in petty sectarian whirlpools in the shallows near the bank; let us, at the Master's call, "launch out into the deep," and feel the thrill of the cosmic current, the eternal momentum of God.

Baptists must march shoulder to shoulder with all Christians who fight under the banner of the Lord Jesus Christ. We do not thereby assume responsibility for errors of others any more than they do for ours. Our faith is not a *gem* to be "cribbed, cabined, and confined" in a safety vault. It is rather a *germ* of life, a victorious principle that needs to be scattered broadcast. We may enter the interdenominational ranks shouting the time-honored battle-cry: "In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty, in all things charity."

Fifthly, optimistic Baptists. Our optimism has a double inspiration:

First, *faith in Jesus Christ,* King of kings, Lord of lords, our Saviour, our crucified and risen Master, our personal Friend, our victorious Captain. "But he, when he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God; henceforth expecting till his enemies be made the footstool of his feet" (Heb. 10 : 12, 13). The "expecting" Christ trusts us! The paralysis of pessimism must never chill our faith nor fling the shadow of insulting doubt across the radiant progress of our conquering King.

Secondly, *the challenge of unparalleled opportunity.* The Baptist hour has struck. The forerunning ages have been preparing the way for this day of opportunity. Our matchless Commission is not only our "marching orders" for world-wide evangelism, but it is the Magna Charta of freedom and democracy. Dynastic earthquakes, international convulsions, martial revolutions, cosmic agonies—are not these the birth-throes of the rebirth of the world? Freedom, democracy, Baptists, these three. God hath joined them together, and no man hath ever been able to put them asunder. "This is the day the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it." The centuries, "piled Pelion on Ossa," have brought us here. It is given to Baptists as to no others to mediate among the nations a spiritual democracy, "where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, bondman, freeman; but Christ is all and in all" (Col. 3 : 11).

Brethren, shall we be true to our trust? Our creed, charter, commission lie in the embrace of two everlasting arms, the omnipotence and the omnipresence of the living God!

212. After prayer by Rev. C. H. Jones, the Convention adjourned to meet at 7.30 p. m.

FOURTEENTH SESSION, *Sunday, May 23, 3 P. M.*

Young People's Rally

213. The meeting was called to order by President A. J. Gatter, of California, who conducted the devotional exercises.

214. Rev. C. D. Case, of New York, Chairman of the Commission on Young People's Work, introduced the following speakers, who addressed the meeting: Rev. G. T. Webb, of Pennsylvania, on "The Young People's Department of the American Baptist Publication Society"; Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania, on "Baptist Young People and the Social Opportunity"; Rev. W. K. Towner, of California, on "The Pacific Coast Young People: Their Opportunities and Call to Larger Service"; Rev. W. S. Abernethy, of Missouri, on "The Victorious Life."

215. After prayer the meeting adjourned.

FIFTEENTH SESSION, *Sunday, May 23, 7.30 P. M.*

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216. The Convention was called to order by Rev. J. W. Brougher, of California.

217. Prayer was offered by Rev. M. A. Levy, of New York.

218. President E. S. Clinch introduced the following speakers, who addressed the Convention on the general theme: "Northern Baptist Convention Ideals as suggested by the Convention Seal": President L. W. Riley, of Oregon, on "Freedom"; Rev. A. H. C. Morse, of Colorado, on "Union"; Rev. T. J. Villers, of Michigan, on "Service."

219. After prayer by Secretary S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania, the Convention adjourned to meet Monday, May 24, at 9 a. m.

SIXTEENTH SESSION, *Monday, May 24, 9 A. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

220. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

221. Rev. L. J. Sawyer, of California, offered prayer.

222. The minutes of the Convention (Items 151-202 inclusive) were read and approved.

223. The following report of the Committee on Place of Next Meeting was presented by Rev. G. E. Burlingame, of California:

The Committee on Place of Next Meeting has received invitations for the Convention from Minneapolis, Denver, and Atlantic City.

The Committee has reached a unanimous decision, and recommends as the Convention City for 1916, Minneapolis, Minn.

G. E. BURLINGAME, *Chairman*,
JOHN STEWART, *Secretary*.

224. On motion of Rev. A. M. Petty, of California, the report was received and adopted.

225. Secretary L. A. Crandall presented the following reply made to the greeting of the Protestant Episcopal Churches of the Diocese of Los Angeles:

To the Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Church, Los Angeles, Cal.:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Northern Baptist Convention has received the fraternal greetings extended to us by your body, and desires to express its keen appreciation of your thoughtful, Christian courtesy. We pray that God's blessing may rest, richly and constantly, upon the Protestant Episcopal Church of the diocese of Los Angeles.

Most fraternally,

LATHAN A. CRANDALL, *Corresponding Secretary pro tem.*

226. The following report of the Committee on Social Service was presented by Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania:

Report of the Committee on Social Service

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The Commission herewith respectfully submits its report for the year.

The Commission has sought to fulfil the charge given to it and has commended the work of Social Service to the attention of our people. It records with gratitude the many signs of increasing interest in this work, with the growing desire of our churches to excel in this line of activity.

The Commission held one meeting of two days during the year and carefully considered the work before us in its various phases. This work is manifold and requires study and effort in many directions. To facilitate it the Commission has the following departments in charge of special committees:

Department of Prison Reform:

Prof. C. R. Henderson, Dr. S. Z. Batten, Mrs. E. L. Goodspeed, Dr. A. W. Wishart.

Department of Rural Communities:

Mr. C. J. Galpin, Rev. L. J. Sawyer, Prof. W. Edward Raffety, Mrs. H. B. Montgomery.

Department of Immigration and Foreign-speaking People:
Dr. Harold Pattison, Mr. George W. Coleman, Dean Shailer Mathews.

Department of Temperance and Social Hygiene:
Dr. W. Quay Rosselle, Dr. S. Z. Batten, Rev. R. D. Lord, Dr. George T. Webb.

Department of Social Education:
Mrs. George H. Ferris, Mr. John E. Franklin, Dr. George T. Webb, Prof. L. D. Osborn, Prof. C. J. Galpin.

Department of Industrial Problems:
Mr. John E. Franklin, Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, Dr. R. D. Lord, Prof. L. D. Osborn.

Department of the Home and the Child:
Prof. W. E. Raffety, Mrs. G. H. Ferris, Mrs. Montgomery, Mr. G. W. Coleman.

Department of International Peace and National Security:
Dr. S. Z. Batten, Dean Shailer Mathews, Rev. A. W. Wishart.

Department of Lord's Day:
Rev. L. J. Sawyer, Rev. R. D. Lord, Dr. Harold Pattison.

Each department is making a special study of its own topic. It is gathering information and is preparing this for presentation to the people. It is cooperating in all ways possible with other agencies in promoting the special subject and it serves as our representative on bodies having these ends in view.

The Commission issued a leaflet giving our Social Service Ideals, and this is commended to the people for study and guidance.

In December the Commission issued an appeal to the churches on the subject of World Peace, requesting pastors to present the question at the Christmas season and urging our people at this time when the nations of Europe are at war to consider their responsibility with reference to the support of mission work carried on by the churches of like faith.

Through the generosity of Mr. John C. Sayre, of Philadelphia, Pa., the Commission offered a prize of $100 in gold to be known as the John C. Sayre prize, for the best essay on the "Anti-Alcohol Movement in Europe." It is expected that the award will be made at the meeting of the Convention. The essay will be published for general distribution.

The Commission has prepared a leaflet containing suggestions for State Social Service Commissions, and this is submitted as Bulletin No. 18. We have prepared the form for an inquiry to be used by the State Commission in its work.

The Commission, through the department on the Country Church, is preparing a volume on the Church and Rural Communities. It is making a study of the best instances of rural Baptist churches in the United States, classified into types, gathering the information by correspondence

and personal study. The book will cover all the important features of rural church interest and activities and will be fully illustrated. It will be of interest to several classes of leaders, such as teachers and students in theological seminaries, Professors and Presidents of our denominational colleges, Secretaries of our National and State Conventions, the editorial staff of our Baptist papers, and the alert pastors and leaders in the churches. The book describes actual conditions surrounding our most progressive churches, based very largely upon the achievements of these churches and discussions of what is possible for all rural churches. Recommendations also follow suggesting some readjustments in our denominational policy to meet the depleted conditions of the mass of our rural churches. The book will be issued by the American Baptist Publication Society and is earnestly commended to the attention of our people. In connection with the rural church problem, the department is urging the following: 1. The introduction into every theological seminary of a course, or a series of lectures, treating fundamentally the rural social problem from the point of view of the churches. 2. Raising the question of some lecture cooperation between the theological seminaries or Baptist colleges and agricultural colleges. 3. Considering the creation of new types of study and preparation specifically for country pastors. 4. Considering the question whether there shall not be a national bureau or society for the study and upbuilding of local churches of all types, country, town, and city.

During the year the following additions have been made to the Social Service Series:

The Industrial Menace to the Home.....Samuel Zane Batten
Neglected Childhood.....Mornay Williams
Federation for Service.....Washington Gladden
The Church in the City.....Leighton Williams
The Administration of Justice.....Mornay Williams
The Practice of Citizenship.....Elmer C. Griffith
The Relation of Christianity and Socialism.....J. E. Franklin
The Rights of the Unborn Race.....Edward Pollard
The Social Problem.....Samuel Zane Batten
Women in American Industry.....Scott Nearing
The Church as a Social Center.....Christian Reisner

The Services of the Commission

The members of the Commission have rendered gratuitous service in many ways and in many capacities. They have served as denominational representatives on various bodies engaged in social and educational activities, thus rendering a large contribution for the denomination to this general work.

Through the Commission on Temperance of the Federal Council of the Churches we are cooperating in the nation-wide pledge-signing campaign.

Two members of the Commission were chosen as delegates to the World Peace Conference at Zurich, August 2-6, 1914.

A member of our Commission was sent as delegate from the churches of Christ in America to convey the Christian sympathy and good will of our people to the people of Japan and has thereby rendered a most signal service to the world-wide cause of Christ.

The Chairman of the Commission was a delegate to the annual meeting of the American Federation of Labor and gave an address on "The Emancipation of Labor."

In their States and communities the various members of the Commission have been active and have cooperated in manifold ways with similar workers.

Several leaflets have been revised during the year, among which may be named the "Reading Lists for Pastors and Workers" and "A Select Bibliography on the Country Church."

The Commission has cooperated with the Department of the American Baptist Publication Society in promoting the work in the various States. We are seeking to secure an interested and efficient commission in each State in our territory and are aiding each Commission in every possible way.

We have cooperated with the United Missionary Campaign in presenting the subject of Community Service in the Associations and churches.

The Commission has sustained a great loss in the passing of one of its most active and interested members, Prof. Charles Richmond Henderson. We present in another part of this report a Memorial of his life and service as a Christian man and social worker.

The Place of Social Service

It is fitting that the Commission should state clearly its aim and should indicate the place of Social Service in the Christian program. Our primary purpose is to define clearly the nature and scope of Social Service, to enlist the people of our churches in this line of effort, and to suggest definite ways in which the efforts of our people may become effective in social redemption. The churches are exposed to two serious dangers. On the one hand, Christian people may narrow the range of their interest, interpret the purpose of Christ in purely personal and church terms, regard social work as something beyond their province and secondary in value, and leave to outsiders and unspiritual people, to unbelievers often, the discussion of social wrongs and the struggle for justice. On the other hand, the people interested in social study and effort may make light of evangelism and spiritual work, lose interest in the church, and attempt to carry on the work of community reconstruction and social salvation without any reference to the Christian ideal and without the inspiration of the Christian faith. The greatest calamity that could befall the church and society would be for such cleavage to occur. A Christian who is not loving, philanthropic, social, who does not help people when they need help, who takes no part in the struggle for human justice, who does not

seek to realize the great social ideal of the kingdom of God, is unworthy of Christ. A Social Service that does not have the Christian ideal of man, that ignores man's spiritual nature and deals only with outward things, is impotent and unavailing and cannot carry us far. It is the aim of those who represent the churches in this work of Social Service to interpret together the Two Great Commandments of God, to show that the Christianity of Christ is philanthropic and social by its very nature, and to show that all true service of man must be Christian in spirit and method. They err seriously who say Christianity is nothing more than philanthropy and Social Service; but they err more grievously who suppose that we can have the Christianity of Christ without philanthropy and Social Service.

Our purpose in a word is to socialize religion and to Christianize Social Service, to show that the religion of Christ is both personal and social, that the Christian life means service, that Christian men are to infuse the Christian spirit into life and build around them a Christian type of human society; that to this end they are to do God's will and seek his kingdom in and through all the relations and institutions of life—the church, the family, the State, the community, the industrial order, and the entire social system.

Two things are vital here:

Every church should have a comprehensive program of education that is preparing people for life and service in all the relations and institutions of society.

Every church should have a constructive program for serving the social needs of its community both individually and through the largest possible cooperation with other agencies of human uplift.

Social Education

First, its educational program. The church is the training-school of the kingdom of God. This means much more than appears on the surface. It means more than the winning of men to Christ and their preparation for membership in the church. To seek the kingdom of God means much more than to seek the salvation of one's soul or even the upbuilding of the church. To seek the kingdom of God means to seek the salvation of the family, the redemption of the State, the Christianizing of society. It follows, therefore, that to prepare people for life and service in the kingdom of God means to prepare people for life and service in the family, the State, the community, the industrial order. Many churches have never imagined for a moment that they have any such commission as this. They have narrowed their conception of the kingdom to the boundaries of the church and have supposed that their only work was to bring people into the church and prepare them for life in heaven. We do not mean to make light of this work, but we do mean to say that it is only a small part of the church's work. The church that is not doing

this larger social work quite as fully as it is doing its work of training people for membership in the church, lacks vision and is failing in an important part of its mission.

This means that every church should have a comprehensive program of education and should directly and definitely seek to prepare people for right living in all the relations of life and to train them for effective service in all the institutions of society. Some agency must do this work, and no other agency than the church has either the divine call or the adequate machinery. This may mean a radical change in some of our church plans and methods; but the change must come if the church would fulfil its mission. No church can be called efficient that does not have a definite policy of religious and moral education that is preparing people for life and service in all the relations of society and the institutions of the kingdom.

That men may be prepared for social life and effective service, several things are necessary. The social mind and thought must precede the social program and action. It is necessary first of all that men have what may be called the *social mind and consciousness.* In times past men have thought in individual life and personal salvation; they have thought of the work of Christ and of the kingdom of God in terms of inward religion and church life; now they must be taught to think also of that kingdom in terms of Christian society and world redemption.

Men must be taught to think in terms of *social causation.* We have learned that things have causes, and we do not know anything till we know its causes and results. Social evils have social causes and require social remedies. Relief and charity are necessary, but they cure no evils. No real advance in Social Service can be made till we have learned to search for causes and to deal with them.

Men must develop *social sympathies and social imagination.* Life is measured by its interests, its sympathies. People lack the social imagination and so they do not see social conditions from the point of view of the victim. Mrs. Browning's words are true in a social no less than in an individual sense:

"Evil is wrought by want of thought
As well as want of heart."

Men must have a *keen and discriminating social passion.* There are many people in our churches who are interested in good things and think kindly of their fellows. But they have no enthusiasm for humanity, no abandon in the work of Christ. We need to create a keen conscience in the people, to awaken in them a hot hatred against all injustice, a consuming passion for social justice.

More than all, as the consummation of all, we must develop in men the *sacrificial attitude of mind.* Social progress must be purchased by cross-bearing. The Cross of Christ, it cannot be too strongly emphasized, is something more than an historic event; it is also the revelation of the

law of all life. The Cross of Christ is thus the type, the pattern, the power of that cross which every disciple is to bear. This is certain that nothing but a crucified Christianity can ever win the world unto a crucified Christ.

It is necessary that the churches in a most direct and effective way seek to train the people for social living and for social service. The most useful lessons in religion and social service are those which reveal and illustrate the power of religion in making duty clear, in creating the social mind, in establishing firm conviction, in teaching men to make right valuations, in winning loyal devotion, and in awakening social passion. It is necessary that the various agencies of religious and moral education shall so teach and train the people that they shall have the adequate moral equipment for moral living and social service. It is no less necessary that they train the people for active and effective service by showing them some definite methods and by directing their efforts. For some definite suggestions with reference to "Social Studies," we refer to Folder No. 3 of the Commission on Religious and Moral Education.

Social Activity

It is necessary also that the people of the churches be organized for effective service in their communities. One thing, however, should be made very clear at this point. Our primary purpose is not to create new organizations in the church or in the community to do this work, but rather to promote the social efficiency of existing organizations. We seek to infuse the social spirit into these organizations, to indicate lines of practical activity, to suggest ways whereby they can become more effective, and to gear up the devotion of our people to the social tasks of Christianity. We must be willing to lose ourselves, so to speak, in existing organizations, believing that in the growing interest of our people in social religion and in their increased efficiency we shall find our highest reward. For some suggestions with reference to the organization of the church for social service we refer to Folder No. 5, "The Social Program of the Local Church."

Trained Leadership

The question of trained and qualified leadership for our churches is most vital. The work of the Christian discipleship to-day is complex and manifold. It therefore requires workers with special gifts and training. The Master has given to his people all kinds of talent for the varied activities of his kingdom. It is therefore necessary that the churches develop these talents of men and prepare the people for fruitful service.

The churches have created their denominational colleges and theological seminaries to produce trained and qualified pastors for the churches. The theological seminaries have taken their commission in good faith and are seeking to train men for their pastoral leadership. They recognize the new demands that are made upon the pastors to-day, and are

seeking to give men the equipment that is required. We record with appreciation the splendid advance made by practically all of our seminaries to prepare the qualified pastors that are needed to-day.

It must be said, however, that many of the colleges under denominational control have been tardy in adjusting themselves to meet the need. The State has created great institutions that are seeking to produce men and women trained for varied activities of the State. The church college has no special call to duplicate the work of the State university. Yet a study of the curricula of the colleges will show that they differ in no essential aspects from the curricula of the State universities, except that they are written on a small scale. The denominational college, to justify its right to be, must meet the special need of the churches and must train men and women for effective leadership and service as lay workers. The courses of study in many of our colleges are simply duplicates on a small scale of the courses of the State universities. They offer few courses in Bible study, and very few courses in practical sociology and social service. The consequence is that some men who have the ministry in view at the beginning of their college course abandon the ministry for other callings. The further consequence is that many of the most vigorous young men and women who should be enlisted for effective lay work in our churches are drawn off into other lines of interest. The most serious consequence of all under existing circumstances is this, that many young men and women in our communities who have had a collegiate training have received no special training to fit them for effective lay leadership in social service.

We cannot too strongly commend to our church colleges their opportunity and their responsibility with reference to this question. We cannot too strongly urge upon them the necessity of providing courses in Bible study, in practical sociology, and in social service which are designed to give us this trained and qualified lay leadership.

Vacation Bible-school

In our time the Vacation Bible-school is meeting a great need and is rendering a large service. First of all, it cares for the school children during the long summer vacation. It does something to solve the problems of moral and religious education of the young, and it is doing much to save the young from thoughtless ways and prepare them for good citizenship. This work is related very closely to Social Service and is a direct result of the new social spirit. We believe that this work of the Vacation Bible-school should receive the support of our people and should be promoted directly by the churches. It is important that the churches assume this work now and carry it forward. Unless this is done it may be assumed by organizations outside the churches, and thus the work may lose its distinctly religious inspiration and the churches may lose an opportunity of rendering a large service.

We therefore recommend that this work be commended to the consideration of the American Baptist Publication Society and that the Social Service Commission be authorized to make such arrangements with the Society as may be desirable for the promotion of this important educational and social work.

Recommendations

1. We ask each church to consider its obligation to train people for life and service in all social relations and institutions, and to organize its forces in such a way as to insure this great result.

2. We urge all pastors and leaders to present to the people the cause and claims of peace and arbitration, both international and industrial, and thereby create such a realization of the evils of organized strife which will lead our nation to repentance, and that holy determination to establish peace and good will on a basis of justice which will end industrial strife and war between nations.

3. We urge our denominational colleges to lay the consciousness of social obligation on the hearts of their students, to adopt courses of instruction directly designed to train their social intelligence and efficiency, and thus to raise up laymen and women who will be clear-headed servants of the community in whatever position they may occupy because they have taken Christ's law of service into their hearts.

4. We recommend that all organizations for social and temperance reform work soliciting the support and sympathy of the churches be requested to file with the Federal Council of the Churches and with the State Federation an annual report, giving a detailed financial statement properly audited, and that all such organizations confer with the official representatives of the churches in outlining plans and policies.

5. We commend to the consideration of the American Baptist Publication Society the work of the Vacation Bible-school and authorize the Social Service Commission to make such arrangements with the Society as may seem desirable for the promotion of this important religious and social work.

MEMORIAL

Charles Richmond Henderson—Christian

The kingdom of God and our denomination have sustained an irreparable loss in the passing of Prof. Charles Richmond Henderson—a striking exemplification of the spirit and method of Social Service. Few men have had a wider range of interests and sympathies; few have made a greater contribution to the Christian thought and life of their time; few have labored with a more unselfish devotion to the will of God in the service of their fellows. In the words of his colleague, the President of the University of Chicago, Harry Pratt Judson: "Charles Richmond Hen-

derson, professor of Sociology, head of the department of practical sociology, and university chaplain, was a member of the faculty from the beginning in 1892. Scholar, teacher, chaplain, in all these fields he rendered devoted service to the university, service inspired not merely by a strong sense of duty, but far more by his burning enthusiasm for humanity. His sympathies lay always first with those who were in need; it was to their help that he devoted his tireless energies, his splendid intellect, his tender affection. His courage was dauntless, he never shrank from the penalties of a minority; he never spared the truth when his conscience demanded that it be spoken. His special grief when the last illness overtook him was that he could not give his efforts to aiding certain humane legislation at the capital of his State. He was in the best sense a friend of humanity. His most fitting monument should be, not marble or bronze, but the triumph of the causes to which and for which his life was given."

It is impossible here to give more than the briefest outline of his useful life and his multifarious activities. He was born in Covington, Ind., in 1848, and graduated from the University of Chicago in 1870. For nine years he served as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Terre Haute. In this city he showed his deep interest in social questions and was one of the pioneers in Charity Organization Work. From 1882 to 1892 he was pastor of the Woodward Avenue Baptist Church in Detroit, and these were notable years for the church and city. He became recognized as a leader in civic life and was said to be the foremost citizen in that city. In 1892 he became professor of Social Science in the University of Chicago, and here he spent some twenty-four years of most active and fruitful service. The first courses he announced in the university were the following: "Social institutions of organized Christianity; social treatment of dependents and defectives; criminology; the family; non-political and non-economical social institutions; methods of promoting social welfare by voluntary organizations; and a seminary for research work."

During the years of his service many notable volumes came from his pen. His first book, "An Introduction to the Study of the Dependent, Defective, and Delinquent Classes," was a pioneer in this field, and has done much to give direction to all of our best social thinking. Other volumes followed from time to time, fifteen in all. Among these may be mentioned "Social Spirit in America," 1897; "Social Duties from the Christian Point of View," 1909; "Social Programs of the West," "The Barrows Lectures Given in the Orient," "Crime: Its Cause and Cure," 1914. In addition to these he edited a large number of important publications—"Modern Prison Systems," 1913; "Modern Methods of Charity," in 1904; "Industrial Insurance in the United States," 1909; "Education with Reference to Sex," 1909; "Preventive Agencies and Methods," 1911.

Professor Henderson's worth and work have been widely recognized; and few have been called to so many positions of honor and responsibility

as he. He was President of the National Conference of Charities and Correction in 1899; President of the National Prison Association in 1902; President of the National Children's Home Society from 1899 to 1902; President of the International Prison Commission in 1909. Besides all this, he held many positions of great responsibility in his city and State.

Professor Henderson never spared himself when men were in need and he could render a service. During the past winter there was much unemployment and suffering in Chicago, and his aid was solicited in devising measures of relief. Though his health was uncertain and he was warned to be careful, he forgot this warning and threw himself into efforts of relief, studying the menace of unemployment and seeking some solution of the problem. He literally fell in a campaign to conquer standing-ground on the earth for men and women out of a job. He died with his face toward an enemy of mankind. Such a one blazes a path toward the final victory. In the most literal sense he gave himself for his fellows, and merits the high honor of the civic martyr. Like his Master, it has been truly said of him "that he came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give his life in service for many." His life adds one more name to the honor roll of the great souls who forget themselves into an immortality and carry forward the great redemptive purpose of Jesus Christ in the world.

S. Z. Batten,
Geo. W. Coleman,
Mrs. Geo. H. Ferris,
John E. Franklin,
C. J. Galpin,
Mrs. E. L. Goodspeed,
R. D. Lord,
Shailer Mathews,
Mrs. H. B. Montgomery,
L. D. Osborn,
Harold Pattison,
Louis J. Sawyer,
W. E. Raffety,
Walter Rauschenbusch,
W. Quay Rosselle,
Geo. T. Webb,
A. W. Wishart.

Bulletin No. 17. Peace and Arbitration

The war in Europe is perhaps the greatest calamity that has ever befallen the human race. In course of time the nations now at war will cease the slaughter, and treaties of peace will be signed. Fields now battle-scarred and blood-stained will be plowed again, and will smile with harvest. Homes will be rebuilt, and cities now in ruins will be filled with people and will resound with the hum of industry. It may be that because of the strife and suffering men will gain a new horror of war and a new love of peace. But the fact remains that a million of men have been killed in the prime of life; other millions are maimed and crippled; millions of children will be fatherless and millions of homes are broken; millions of children will be deprived of an adequate education, and will

thus be cheated out of their rightful heritage; the nations of Europe have been drained of their best blood; the people of Europe will be crushed to earth with an increased burden of war debt, and many constructive social measures will be impossible. As we think of it all, the waste of human life, the wrong against childhood, the hatred engendered, and the denial of the Christian law, the heart grows sick and faith falters.

Yet the Lord will be exalted in righteousness, and some good may come out of this world war. There is a tumbling down of the things that can be shaken in order that the things which cannot be shaken may remain.

At this time it is not desirable, even if it were possible, for us to locate responsibility and apportion blame to others. It is for us rather to realize that we are all implicated in this evil so far and so long as the spirit is in us which makes war possible. Instead of lamenting the misdeeds of others and thanking God that we are not as they, let us rather make this the occasion when we turn our eyes inward and seek in an inviolable solitude of our national personality to stand face to face with the divine reality. Instead of pointing the accusing finger at the nations of Europe, we may well search our own hearts and purge our own lives.

Each of the nations is fighting in others the very sins which it has itself committed. Each is fighting a foe without because each failed to fight the foe within.

For years the nations of Europe have faced the possibility of war. And yet many men have contemplated the holocaust with criminal levity; others have regarded it as inevitable and necessary, and so have really hastened its coming.

The duty of the hour is an earnest heart-searching on the part of all. We may well ask what should be our own state of mind and attitude of heart at this time when the world has lost its way. We are not called to condemn the world, but to find out how it may have life and have it more abundantly. In the words of the statement prepared by the secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America: "The blame is universal. We have assented to a so-called balance of power, equipoised upon a sword, with bullets in the scale for weights. We have all agreed to secret alliances other than for reason and justice. We all share the peril of the sword because we have taken the sword. The differences are in degrees and not in principle and kind.

"The conflict in Europe was no mere accident. The ultimate causes of her woes are selfish ambitions, material competition, unfair advantages, suspicion, the doctrine that might makes right, the confusion of moral with physical power, the ruthless law of the survival of the fittest; in all which the militarists have been ably supported by the intellectuals and aristocrats of the Old World. It arises out of a false philosophy of human life, a false conception of racial relationships, and a false view of human progress. Are we free from the danger of these ultimate causes?"

It is necessary, therefore, that we as a people who have been kept out of the conflict primarily because of our geographical position and not

through any superior virtue on our part, should understand the lesson of this calamity, and should know the things that make for our peace.

We must study the causes of war, and must remove the occasions of misunderstanding and friction.

We must realize that wars, as a rule, are due to economic causes, to the banker's hunger for profits and the trader's greed for markets, to the eagerness of manufacturers of war material to start war scares and then sell steel and powder, to the ambitions of nations who measure greatness in terms of territory and trade.

The following items are submitted as a working program of arbitration and peace:

I. The Spirit of Peace

1. Let there be a renewed emphasis upon the great fundamental principles of the Scriptures especially in their relation to social and political life.

2. Let men be taught with a new faithfulness that the principles of Christ are universal in their scope and apply directly across class lines and international boundaries.

3. Let nations and classes as well as individuals be taught to look not on the things of self, but on the things of others, and let all be taught to take thought for the things of justice and peace.

4. Let us all seek to cultivate the sacrificial attitude of mind and realize that all are called to share in the redemptive process.

II. The Church's Part

1. Let each religious body in America be requested to appoint a Committee on Peace and Arbitration.

2. In cooperation with the Federal Council of the Churches, let a yearly or biennial conference or council, composed of representatives of Church and Peace Societies in America, be held to consider policies and programs.

3. Let the pastors of our churches be requested to present the questions of disarmament, arbitration, and peace to the people at such times as may be most convenient.

4. Let an effort be made to introduce lessons on peace in the Sunday-school, the young people's society, the church brotherhood, and the public schools.

III. The International Policy

1. The creation of a congress of nations to determine the relative rights of nations and to frame international laws.

2. The creation of an international court to decide any disputed claims, and of an international police force to enforce the laws of this congress and the decisions of this court.

3. The disarmament of the nations, so that unpreparedness shall prevent precipitate action and encourage sober second thought.

4. The discovery and removal of the economic causes of war.

The nations, by actions of their governments and the laws of the International Congress, should provide:

1. That some definite interval of time, to be mutually agreed upon, shall intervene between the declaration of war and the beginning of actual hostilities.

2. That in the interval a commission of the signatory powers shall make a careful investigation, and report their findings to the world.

3. That the signatory powers agree to enforce the observance of the agreement upon the nation that transgresses the treaty by immediate military intervention.

Bulletin No. 18. Social Service in the State; Suggestions for State Commissions

The Social Service Commission of the Northern Baptist Convention offers the following suggestions for the guidance of State, Associational, and City Social Service Commissions.

First of all, a word should be said with reference to the aim and method of social service. It has never been the aim of the Commission to build up another organization to do the social service of the churches or in communities. We have rather sought to infuse the social spirit into existing organizations, to indicate lines of study and activity, to suggest ways whereby these organizations can become socially effective, and to gear up the devotion of Christian people to the social tasks of Christianity.

The State Social Service Commission serves a double mission. It is the link between the Northern Baptist Convention and the State Convention in social work. And it is the agency charged with the responsibility of stimulating social service within the State and enlisting the churches in practical effort. The Department of Social Service and Brotherhood of the American Baptist Publication Society is prepared to cooperate with the State commissions in every way, by furnishing literature and by holding conferences.

It is important that every State should have a Social Service Commission created by the State Convention, to promote this vital part of our work and to cooperate with similar bodies. In some States it is found desirable to have this Commission composed of a representative from each Association. But where the State is large and has many Associations, this is not the best course; for the members are too widely scattered to meet and the Commission is unwieldy. But in order to secure continuity in plans and methods, it is desirable that the members should be elected for at least two years, with a certain number chosen each year.

The Commission should endeavor to secure funds sufficient to pay the expenses of the members, for postage and printing, and for at least two meetings of the Commission. The Commission should organize with a chairman, a secretary, and such committees as may be needed. The Commission of the Northern Baptist Convention has found it necessary to create a number of departments in charge of standing committees, as follows:

Prison Reform.
Rural Communities.
Immigration and Foreign-speaking Peoples.
The Home and the Child.
Temperance and Social Hygiene.
Social Education.
Industrial Problems.
International Peace.
The Lord's Day.

It may not be desirable or necessary to have the same departments in each State. In all cases the committees should be created as local needs require.

The Commission should hold regular meetings at stated times, quarterly, if possible. It should make an outline survey of the State, and ascertain its most pressing needs. It should then select two or three things that require full investigation, exact information, and definite action. It is better to concentrate on a few things and get these done than to scatter effort over a wider field.

The Association provides an organization and an opportunity for the presentation of social service; and the Commission should arrange to have the subject presented at every associational meeting in the State. It may suggest a program, and, if desired, furnish a speaker. It may also plan a conference on some phase of community service in city or county. In many cases the Commission may arrange for one or more social-service conferences in various parts of the State. It may be desirable to arrange for interdenominational conferences in cooperation with local Interchurch Federations. In many States the State Agricultural College holds institutes in the interests of rural progress, and the State University holds similar conferences in the cities looking toward community betterment. These schools always welcome the cooperation of church people, and are always ready to offer courses dealing with the country church and city community life. The Commission should endeavor to have some courses dealing with these subjects and to secure the attendance of many pastors.

Where there is a State denominational paper or where the Convention issues a Bulletin, the Commission should have a department in the publication and should furnish material.

The Commission should organize a social service loan or traveling library for the use of pastors and workers. The State University and the State Library are very ready to cooperate in this work. In some cases, however, it may be best for the Commission itself to maintain this library. A leaflet giving a select list of books will be furnished by the Department of Social Service and Brotherhood. (Bulletin No. 2.)

The Commission should cooperate with similar commissions and the State Federation of Churches in holding a State conference for the careful consideration of the questions, civic, State, and national, that require attention in the way of education, agitation, legislation, and law

enforcement. In this conference plans should be made whereby the whole intelligence, conscience, and power of the people may be made available in behalf of any issue. This conference should be a social service clearing-house for the State. It should also seek to unify the various agencies that are promoting specific measures that thus the power of the whole army may be mobilized at any point of need. As a result of this conference, the Commission should draw up a definite and constructive program based upon a knowledge of actual conditions and with specific objects in view. This program should then be offered to the churches for ratification and action.

The State Commission is an agency whereby the churches are enlisted in social study and service. The Commission should seek to promote the following lines of interest and effort:

I. The Church

1. Call the churches' attention to the recommendation of the Executive Committee adopted by the Northern Baptist Convention:

"Every church should have a constructive program for serving the social needs of its community, either individually or through the largest possible cooperation with other agencies of human uplift."

Then endeavor to have each church consider the responsibility for community conditions, lead the people in social study, and unite them for effective service.

2. Encourage each church to create a Social Service Committee. See Bulletin No. 15.

3. Promote in each church the study of the Social Gospel and Social Questions. For suggestions, see Bulletin No. 13, "Social Studies for Adult Classes and Brotherhoods."

4. Encourage each church to form a social service library for use of the people. See Bulletin No. 2, "Social Service Bibliography."

5. Encourage each church to study community conditions in its neighborhood, and guide the church committee in this work of community study. See Bulletin No. 3, "The Civic Program"; also, "What Each Church Should Know About Its Community."

6. Encourage the church Social Service Committee to study the various agencies for community betterment, such as the Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association, the Charity Organization Society, the Juvenile Court, the Playground Association, the Police Department; and to cooperate with these in every possible way. It is better to infuse the Christian spirit into each of these, and to make it the Christian agency for doing social work, than to attempt to create a new organization.

II. The Community

In every community it will be found that many things demand attention and action. It will be impossible, of course, for people to give attention to all these matters at the same time. In each community the people

should carefully select the things that are especially urgent, and get them done.

1. Secure the formation of some kind of interchurch federation. In many cases it may be found desirable to have a federation of church brotherhoods and adult classes.

2. Have the workers in every community, whether country, town, or city, study local conditions, and make a community survey through adequate educational or expert agencies.

3. Have a careful supervision of moving-picture and other shows, dance-halls, pool-rooms, etc.

4. Have the city adopt the Probation System for all delinquents and alcoholics under the Big Brother and Big Sister Plan.

5. Have the jails visited frequently, and see that the proper segregation of prisoners is secured. Also study the causes of crime and delinquency, and endeavor both to save young offenders and to remove the causes and conditions of crime.

6. Let a wise and concerted movement be made to create high ideals of sex chivalry, to maintain the single standard of purity, to teach sex morality, and to abolish the red-light district.

7. Study housing conditions, and secure the adoption of a good building and housing code which shall maintain standard housing conditions; and have regular inspection of tenements, rooming-houses, and hotels.

8. Secure the cooperation of the people in every community in definite and concrete ways with every movement to provide proper and adequate playgrounds for children, a labor temple for working men, and social centers in the public schools.

9. Have a committee representing the various agencies of the community study the question of unemployment and then frame a comprehensive and constructive policy of relief and prevention.

10. Have the people realize that such social evils as crime, poverty, disease, premature death, feeble-mindedness, have social causes and conditions; and that these causes should be discovered and abolished.

III. The State

It is important that the various organizations representing the churches should hold a conference and agree on a State program. Many things require attention, but the following are urgent:

1. Arrange for the proper consideration of social service, both in reference to the city church and the country community, at the State Convention and the associational meetings.

2. Secure the enactment of legislation providing for one day of rest in seven for all workers; and have the law properly enforced.

3. Secure legislation providing for the registration of births, for morbidity and mortality statistics, and for all similar matters.

4. Encourage the practice of having all applicants for a marriage license present a physician's certificate showing freedom from venereal disease and mental defects.

5. Have the State adopt a system of accident and disability insurance, widows' pensions, and old-age pensions.

6. Secure a good child-labor law, and see that it is fairly enforced.

7. Secure legislation providing for a limited term for all public franchises and forbidding all overissue of stock.

8. Secure the most sympathetic cooperation between Christian people and working men in behalf of industrial justice, peace, and brotherhood.

9. Give careful consideration to such questions as low wages, the cost of living, hours of toil, industrial fatigue, and similar matters, and take such action as may be necessary to bring relief to the people and to lessen the pressure of toil.

10. Prepare an exhibit for the State Convention, and see that a supply of social-service literature is displayed.

11. Secure a series of articles dealing with various phases of the work, both of city and country churches, and have these published in the denominational papers.

IV. The Industrial Order

It is sufficient here to give the Social Platform adopted by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America and ratified by the Northern Baptist Convention.

1. For equal rights and complete justice for all men in all stations of life.

2. For the protection of the family, by the single standard of purity, uniform divorce laws, proper regulation of marriage, and proper housing.

3. For the fullest possible development for every child, especially by the provision of proper education and recreation.

4. For the abolition of child labor.

5. For such regulation of the conditions of toil for women as shall safeguard the physical and moral health of the community.

6. For the abatement and prevention of poverty.

7. For the protection of the individual and society from the social, economic, and moral waste of the liquor traffic.

8. For the conservation of health.

9. For the protection of the worker from dangerous machinery, occupational diseases, and mortality.

10. For the right of all men to the opportunity for self-maintenance, for safeguarding this right against encroachments of every kind, and for the protection of workers from the hardships of enforced unemployment.

11. For suitable provision for the old age of the workers, and for those incapacitated by injury.

12. For the right of employees and employers alike to organize, and for adequate means of conciliation and arbitration in industrial disputes.

13. For the release from employment one day in seven.

14. For the gradual and reasonable reduction of the hours of labor to the lowest practicable point, and for that degree of leisure for all which is a condition of the highest human life.

15. For a living wage as a minimum in every industry, and for the highest wage that each industry can afford.

16. For a new emphasis upon the application of Christian principles to the acquisition and use of property, and for the most equitable division of the product of industry that can ultimately be devised.

The Commission should see that copies of this declaration are widely circulated, especially among the working people. It should endeavor to interest church people in the study of social and industrial questions, and to secure wise and progressive action.

The State Social Service Commission should not be discouraged by the elaborateness of the program here presented. The suggestions have purposely been made somewhat complete so as to cover the whole field. Let it be understood that no State Social Service Commission can give attention to all of the items suggested. In every case the Commission should select the particular items that are timely and urgent and give special attention to these few things.

Nor should the State Social Service Commission hesitate because of the indifference of some churches or the lack of church organizations for social work. We must arouse their interest and create the adequate organization. Here especially is a wide field for interdenominational cooperation.

The Social Service Commission of the Northern Baptist Convention and the Department of Social Service and Brotherhood of the American Baptist Publication Society will gladly cooperate with the people in every possible way.

The Department, at its headquarters, 1701 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, has a very full Social Service Card Index, and will gladly send information on social work and references to social literature to all who apply.

The following list of available material is offered:

Social Service Defined.

"A Social Service Catechism."
"What Is Social Service?"
"Social Service Ideals."

Organizing the Church.

"Organized for Service."
"The Social Program of the Local Church."

Social Studies.

"Social Studies for Adult Classes, Brotherhoods," etc.
"A Social Service Reading Course"
"Bibliography on the Rural Church and Country Life."
"The Social Service Year."
"Social Suggestions for Program-Makers."
"Training for Citizenship."

Community Study.

"What Each Church Should Know About Its Community."

"The Town Program."

"The Civic Program."

What To Do.

"The Social Program of the Local Church."

"The Practice of Brotherhood."

"A Plan of Social Work," by the Federal Council.

"The Brotherhood Standard."

The above publications of the Department are sent free on application.

Information concerning books for study and lines of work will gladly be furnished.

In addition, the following are valuable aids:

"The Social Gospel," by Mathews.

"The Social Service Year-Book," by the Federal Council of Churches.

"The Gospel at Work," by Whitaker.

"The Social Service Series," American Baptist Publication Society.

227. Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania, moved that the report be received and adopted.

228. On motion of Rev. E. F. Merriam, of Massachusetts, it was voted that the motion to receive and adopt the report be laid upon the table until after the report of the Committee on Reports of Cooperating Organizations. (See Items 355, 356.)

229. The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by President C. A. Barbour, of New York:

President, Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.
First Vice-president, Edwin W. Stephens, Columbia, Mo.
Second Vice-president, Deloss C. Shull, Sioux City, Iowa.
Corresponding Secretary, Rev. William C. Bitting. St. Louis, Mo.
Recording Secretary, Rev. Maurice A. Levy, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Treasurer, Frank L. Miner, Des Moines, Iowa.
Members of the Executive Committee. Term expires 1918. Prof. F. L. Anderson, Newton Center, Mass.; F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.; O. P. Coshow, Roseburg, Ore.; R. B. Griffith, Grand Forks, N. Dak.; Mrs. F. W. Johnson, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. O. J. Price, Lansing, Mich.; Pres. D. B. Purinton, Morgantown, W. Va.; Ambrose Swasey, Cleveland, Ohio; W. W. Stickney, Ludlow, Vt.; L. M. Webb, Portland, Me.

230. President E. S. Clinch addressed the Convention.

231. President E. S. Clinch appointed the following tellers: L. B. Philbrick, Massachusetts; J. P. Cadman, California; Rev. R. S. Williams, New York; F. C. Nickels, Minnesota; Rev. Bruce Kinney, Kansas.

232. The ballots were distributed.

233. The ballots were received.

234. On motion the Convention adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

235. The Society was called to order by President C. H. Jones.

236. The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by President C. A. Barbour, of New York:

President, Rev. Emory W. Hunt, Newton Center, Mass.
First Vice-president, Rev. Walter B. Hinson, Portland, Ore.
Second Vice-president, Rev. John B. Smith, Waterloo, Iowa.
Third Vice-president, Walter C. Orem, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Recording Secretary, George B. Huntington, Boston, Mass.
Home Secretary, Rev. Fred P. Haggard, Boston, Mass.
Foreign Secretary, Rev. James H. Franklin, Boston, Mass.
Treasurer, Ernest S. Butler, Boston, Mass.

Board of Managers. Term expires 1918. L. B. Bailey, Kansas City, Mo.; Rev. A. K. de Blois, Boston, Mass.; Prof. E. D. Burton, Chicago, Ill.; W. D. Chamberlin, Dayton, Ohio; Rev. C. W. Chamberlin, Beverly, Mass.; Rev. L. L. Henson, Pueblo, Colo.; Rev. T. H. Stacy, Concord, N. H.; Mornay Williams, New York City; Rev. Cornelius Woelfkin, New York City.

To Fill Vacancies. Term expires 1916. Rev. A. K. Foster, Worcester, Mass.; Rev. E. A. E. Palmquist, Cambridge, Mass.; W. T. Sheppard, Lowell, Mass.

To Fill Vacancies. Term expires 1917. Rev. A. C. Baldwin, Rochester, N. Y.; R. M. Clark, Newton Center, Mass.

237. President Jones appointed the following tellers: Rev. L. J. Sawyer, California; Rev. R. B. Pattison, Massachusetts; Rev. G. R. Richards, Ohio; Rev. William Axling, Japan; Rev. S. P. Shaw, South Dakota; Rev. J. C. Hyde, Ohio.

238. The ballots were distributed.

239. The ballots were received.

240. On motion the Society adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

American Baptist Home Mission Society

241. The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards.

242. The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by President C. A. Barbour, of New York:

President, Frank C. Nickels, Minneapolis, Minn.
First Vice-president, William McClave, Scranton, Pa.
Second Vice-president, Rev. Frank B. Bachelor, Ann Arbor, Mich.
Third Vice-president, R. O. Williams, Lincoln, Neb.
Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Henry L. Morehouse, New York City.
Recording Secretary, Rev. Ambrose M. Bailey, Peru, Ind.
Treasurer, Frank T. Moulton, Yonkers, N. Y.
Board of Managers, Term expires 1918. Rev. J. R. Brown, Bridgeport, Conn.; Rev. G. W. Drew, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.; W. J. Grippin, Bridgeport, Conn.; Samuel Hird, Passaic, N. J.; G. W. Palmer, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. W. C. P. Rhoades, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. A. A. Shaw, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. H. J. Vosburgh, Camden, N. J.
To Fill Vacancy. Term expires 1917. Prof. A. S. Hobart, Chester, Pa.

243. President D. K. Edwards appointed the following tellers: Rev. A. S. Carman, Ohio; C. C. Boynton, California; Rev. J. H. Beaven, Washington; Rev. H. A. Heath, Massachusetts; Rev. L. R. Berry, New Jersey; Rev. J. T. Crawford, Kansas; Rev. O. C. Wright, Oregon; Rev. T. F. McCourtney, Arizona.

244. The ballots were distributed.

245. The ballots were received.

246. On motion the Society adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

247. The Society was called to order by President Mrs. A. G. Lester.

248. The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by President C. A. Barbour, of New York:

President, Mrs. A. G. Lester, Chicago, Ill.
First Vice-president, Mrs. George W. Coleman, Boston, Mass.
Second Vice-president, Mrs. Lathan A. Crandall, Minneapolis, Minn.
Third Vice-president, Mrs. T. S. Tompkins, Pasadena, Cal.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Katherine S. Westfall, Chicago, Ill.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Charles N. Wilkinson, Canon City, Colo.
Treasurer, Mrs. Emma C. Marshall, Chicago, Ill.
Board of Managers. Term expires 1918. Mrs. J. H. Chapman, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. S. T. Ford, Chicago, Ill.; Miss M. E. Harris, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. S. C. Jennings, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. H. N. Lathrop, Brookline, Mass.; Mrs. F. J. Miller, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Johnston Myers, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. C. V. L. Peters, Wilmette, Ill.; Mrs. A. E. Wells, Chicago, Ill.
To Fill Vacancies. Term expires 1917. Mrs. J. F. Fraser, Muncie, Ind.; Mrs. Hugo Wangeman, Chicago, Ill.

249. President Mrs. A. G. Lester appointed the following tellers: Mrs. A. W. Pell, New York; Miss Grace Daland, New York; Mrs. Frank Rector, Rhode Island; Miss E. D. MacLaurin, Illinois; Mrs. P. H. Sawyer, Washington; Miss R. B. Griffith, North Dakota; Mrs. E. P. Brand, Illinois; Mrs. W. E. Askin, Pennsylvania.

250. The ballots were distributed.

251. The ballots were received.

252. The Society adjourned to meet subject to the call of the chair.

Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

253. The Society was called to order by Vice-president Mrs. Andrew MacLeish.

254. The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by President C. A. Barbour, of New York:

National Officers

President, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rochester, N. Y.

Foreign Vice-president, Mrs. H. W. Peabody, Beverly, Mass.

Home Administration Vice-president, Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, Glencoe, Ill.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. T. E. Adams, Cleveland, Ohio.

Foreign Secretary, Mrs. H. G. Safford, Boston, Mass.

Associate Foreign Secretary, Miss N. G. Prescott, Boston, Mass.

General Field Secretary, Miss Ella D. MacLaurin, Chicago, Ill.

Treasurer, Miss Alice E. Stedman, Boston, Mass.

Publisher, Miss Frances K. Burr, Chicago, Ill.

Board of Managers

New England District. Miss Helen W. Munroe, Cambridge, Mass.; Miss Grace T. Colburn, Newton Center, Mass.

New York District. Mrs. R. B. Montgomery, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. W. C. Mason, Garden City, N. Y.

Atlantic District. Mrs. E. O. Silver, East Orange, N. J.; Mrs. H. N. Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.

East Central District. Mrs. T. J. Kirkpatrick, Springfield, Ohio; Miss Lucia Mac Manning, Anderson, Ind.

Central District. Miss Elizabeth Church, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. D. W. Beggs, Chicago, Ill.

Northwestern District. Mrs. Minnie Moody, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. G. F. Young, Minneapolis, Minn.

West Central District. Mrs. F. W. Foster, Omaha, Neb.; Mrs. Kate Kelsey, Omaha, Neb.

Rocky Mountain District. Mrs. R. B. Smith, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. F. W. Hart, Denver, Colo.

Columbia River District. Mrs. G. F. Dearborn, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. James Failing, Portland, Ore.

Pacific Coast District. Mrs. F. G. Cressey, Los Angeles, Cal.; Mrs. T. S. Tompkins, Pasadena, Cal.

At Large. Mrs. C. D. Eulette, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Milton Shirk, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. W. A. McKinney, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. E. R. Champlin, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Grace J. Young, Newton Center, Mass.; Mrs. G. B. Germond, New Britain, Conn.; Mrs. C. W. Gale, Norwich, Conn.

255. Vice-president Mrs. Andrew MacLeish appointed the following tellers: Mrs. W. H. Farmer, New Jersey; Mrs. A. H. C. Morse, Colorado; Miss M. F. Colburn, Massachusetts; Mrs. O. P. M. Jamison, Oregon; Mrs. R. E. Day, California; Mrs. G. R. Richards, Ohio; Mrs. D. B. Purinton, West Virginia; Mrs. F. C. Nickels, Minnesota.

256. The ballots were distributed.

257. The ballots were received.

258. Vice-president Mrs. Andrew MacLeish announced the acceptance by Miss Eleanor Marc, of Missouri, of her appointment as Home Secretary of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

259. On motion the Society adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

American Baptist Publication Society

260. The Society was called to order by President J. W. Brougher.

261. The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by President C. A. Barbour, of New York:

President, Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher, Los Angeles, Cal.
First Vice-president, Pres. Joseph W. Mauck, Hillsdale, Mich.
Second Vice-president, Rev. William B. Riley, Minneapolis, Minn.
Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Adoniram J. Rowland, Philadelphia, Pa.
Recording Secretary, Rev. Bergen D. Stelle, Upland, Pa.
Treasurer, Harry S. Hopper, Narberth, Pa.
Managers. Term expires 1918. G. L. Estabrook, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. J. W. Lyell, Camden, N. J.; Rev. W. H. Main, Philadelphia, Pa.;

Rev. J. J. Muir, Washington, D. C.; Rev. J. L. Peacock, Westerly, R. I.; E. L. Tustin, Philadelphia, Pa.; S. G. Young, Lansing, Mich.

To Fill Vacancy. Term expires 1916. L. L. Rue, Philadelphia, Pa.

262. President J. W. Brougher appointed the following tellers: J. N. Field, California; Rev. S. G. Neil, Pennsylvania; Rev. A. H. C. Morse, Colorado; Rev. W. S. Abernethy, Missouri; Rev. G. F. Holt, California; Rev. F. W. Bateson, Washington; Rev. C. H. Sears, New York; Rev. A. B. Coats, Connecticut; Rev. F. T. Finn, California; Rev. L. W. Riley, Oregon; Rev. John Stewart, Rhode Island.

263. The ballots were distributed.

264. The ballots were received.

265. On motion the Society adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

Northern Baptist Convention

266. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

267. The following report of the tellers was presented by L. B. Philbrick, of Massachusetts: Ballots cast, 389; ballots as presented by the Committee on Nominations, 383; ballots scattering, 6.

268. On motion of President C. A. Barbour, of New York, it was voted,

> That the Convention request President E. S. Clinch to notify President-elect Shailer Mathews of his election, he being now on his journey eastward, and also to request him to convey to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, North, now in session at Rochester, N. Y., the greetings of this Convention.

269. On motion of Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania, the following were elected members of the Brotherhood Council, for the term expiring in 1918:

R. B. Griffith, North Dakota; Rev. A. M. Bailey, Indiana; Rev. F. E. Marble, Massachusetts; President S. E. Price, Kansas; F. W. Parker, Illinois; Rev. W. S. Abernethy, Missouri; O. R. Judd, New York; E. S. Butler, Massachusetts; F. C. Nickels, Minnesota; Rev. L. L. Henson, Colorado.

270. The following report of the Committee on Plans for Raising Debts was presented by Secretary C. L. White, of New York:

The Report of the Committee of Twelve

The Committee appointed by the Northern Baptist Convention, June 25, 1914, to carry forward the actual work of securing the sum still necessary to extinguish the debts reported by the Missionary Societies on April 1, 1914, respectfully present their report.

The same day in which we were appointed, the Committee organized with Mr. F. Wayland Ayer as Chairman and Mr. Charles L. White as Secretary. Mr. Ernest S. Butler, the Treasurer of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, kindly consented to act as Treasurer.

In response to personal appeals made before the Convention met, or at its session, $158,542.63 was paid or pledged, and Mr. John D. Rockefeller, after contributing $50,000, expressed his desire to give as much as might be needed on January 1, 1915, of $50,000, if thereby the movement could be made successful. Our religious papers at once sent forth ringing appeals, and by editorials, special articles, and advertisements kept the churches informed concerning the progress of the campaign. The letters to the pastors and missionaries were written in ten languages. The early offerings on July 5 and 12 registered profound interest. The stream of money soon began to flow, and every day brought gifts from the lovers of missions. After the annual meetings of the State Conventions another appeal was made, in November, and the stream of money at once rose to higher levels. The campaign developed the splendid cooperation of our editors, of the secretaries of State and City Mission Societies, of the officials of the General Societies not reporting debts, of the secretaries of the Societies having debts, of the State collecting agents, of the district secretaries, and of a host of other men and women in this country and in foreign lands.

Contributions poured into our special treasury from forty-five States, and from Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii, Canada, Africa, Assam, Burma, Japan, China, and India. The effort of the denomination was abundantly successful. The $276,223.58 which was needed was fully raised, and was distributed as follows: To the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, $182,713.58; to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, $71,051.54; to the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, $22,458.24. The expense of the campaign, for postage, advertisements, travel, and special clerical assistance, was $5,101.15. This amount was also paid from the receipts, and the Committee still had in the treasury, after the expenses were met, a balance of $4,520.68.

The debts reported April 1, 1914, were $276,223.58. The amount contributed by churches and individuals was $284,898.58. This included interest on daily balances in our banks.

At the eighth meeting of your Committee, on April 16, in New York City, one of our number, not officially associated with any Society having a deficit, stated as his conviction that this balance of $4,520.68 might well be applied to lessen the indebtedness of approximately $43,000 reported April 1 by the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, by the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, and by the Woman's Amer-

ican Baptist Home Mission Society. All the members of the Committee approved the suggestion, and the Chairman and Secretary were requested to interview the Finance Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention, then providentially in session in another room in the offices of the Home Mission Society, where the Committee itself were meeting. The Finance Committee heartily indorsed the plan to apply the balance of $4,520.68 to the new debts, and, learning that the Committee of Twelve had also unanimously offered their services to endeavor to raise the entire amount of approximately $43,000, authorized your Committee to begin a new campaign, soliciting contributions from individuals and from churches which had not met their apportionment to the three Societies reporting deficits, and in the hope that a happy issue out of our financial perplexities might be reached before the meetings of the Convention at Los Angeles should end. The time was brief, but the appeals in the religious journals and in other forms were instantly answered by a multitude of willing souls. Dr. W. A. Davison, President of the Association of State Convention Secretaries, again sent an earnest appeal to the members of his Society to use at once their utmost endeavors to make this second campaign happily successful. The stream of money has been full and strong, but a telegram just received from Boston shows that we still need approximately $4,000 to crown with complete success this second voluntary task of your Committee. It is a small amount, and is easily within our ability to meet before this Convention adjourns. The Lord, whose we are, and whom we love and serve, has certainly added his abundant blessing to our united endeavors. We are grateful to him and pledge ourselves, as a denomination, to labor with all our strength to prevent future deficits and to give our treasury, ourselves, and our sons and daughters to the extension of his kingdom. Our Master stands over against his treasury to-day. Shall it long lack the few thousand dollars that will make these three beloved Societies end the first year of the second century of our missionary journey with our Lord, as we try to do his will in this land and in the near and remote countries whose peoples are strangers to his grace? Surely our hearts burn within us as we walk with him down the path of these troubled years.

The Committee desire to thank you for the privilege to render joyous service which the work of gathering your offerings has brought to us all. In our happy and harmonious labors we have all been fellow workers. We have also been drawn closely together, and have felt our hearts beat in unison as we have been bound up together in the bundle of life with the Lord our God.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Wayland Ayer,
Henry Bond,
Mrs. Andrew MacLeish,
Mrs. A. G. Lester,
Edward H. Haskell,
David G. Garabrant,
James F. Franklin,
Fred P. Haggard,
Guy C. Lamson,
Ernest D. Burton,
Alfred Williams Anthony,
Charles L. White.

271. On motion of Rev. W. A. Davison, of Vermont, it was voted that the report be received and adopted, that the Convention proceed at once to raise the amount necessary to meet the deficit, and that the Committee be continued until the aim has been achieved.

272. On motion of Rev. J. W. Brougher, of California, it was voted that this session be continued until 12.30 p. m.

273. At the request of the Committee on Plans for Raising the Debts, Rev. J. W. Brougher took charge of raising the amount necessary to meet the remaining deficit.

274. Vice-president R. B. Griffith took the chair.

275. On motion of Rev. W. H. Geistweit, of California, it was voted,

That the special order for Tuesday, May 25, at 10 a. m., be the report of the United Missionary Campaign Committee, the report of a Conference on Denominational Objectives, and resolutions concerning the budget of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

276. On motion, and after prayer by Secretary C. L. White, of New York, the Convention adjourned to meet Tuesday, May 25, at 9 a. m.

SUBSIDIARY MEETING, *Monday, May 24, 6 P. M.*

277. The Baptist Brotherhood Banquet was held at Hamberger's Café, Rev. F. T. Galpin, of Pennsylvania, presiding.

278. Prof. Galusha Anderson, of Massachusetts, offered prayer.

279. Hon. H. Stanley Benedict, of California, brought the greetings of Gov. H. W. Johnson.

280. The following addresses were delivered: "A Message to the Baptist Brotherhood," by Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, of New York; "The Brotherhood Idea," by Secretary S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania; "Evangelism," by Rev. F. E. Taylor, of Indiana; "Missions," by Secretary J. M. Moore, of New York; "Organization," by H. E. Cole, of Pennsylvania; "Denominational Loyalty," by Rev. J. W. Brougher, of California.

281. President C. A. Barbour, of New York, pronounced the benediction.



PROF. WALTER RAUSCHENBUSCH

Speaker at Joint Session of A. B. F. M. S. and A. B. H. M. S.

SEVENTEENTH SESSION, *Monday, May 21, 8 P. M.*

JOINT SESSION OF

THE WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

AND

THE WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

282. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, of New York, President of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

283. The devotional services were conducted by Mrs. C. D. Gray, of Illinois.

284. Mrs. A. G. Lester, of Illinois, President of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, introduced Miss H. R. Chrissman, of Illinois, who addressed the Societies on "The Call to Service"; and Rev. W. P. Behan, of Illinois, President of the Baptist Missionary Training School, Chicago, who addressed the Societies on "The Work and Future of the Baptist Missionary Training School."

285. Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, of Illinois, Home Vice-president of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, conducted a Service of Commission for outgoing missionaries of the Society, in the course of which Associate Foreign Secretary Miss N. G. Prescott, of Massachusetts, read the names of the following appointees who were represented by young women:

Name	Designation
Thomasine Allen, Indiana	Japan
Edith P. Ballard, Massachusetts	South India
M. Ruth Dame, Indiana	Burma
Violet Ettenger, New Jersey	East China
Lillian Van Hook, Massachusetts	East China
Mildred Mosier, New Jersey	Burma
Annabelle Pawley, New York	Japan
Edna E. Shoemaker, Oregon	East China
Ethel Smith, Massachusetts	South China
Nan Trantham, South Carolina	Burma
Ellen E. Vickland, New York	
Viola Hill, California	China

286. Miss Viola Hill, of California, addressed the Societies.

287. Response was made by Vice-president Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, on behalf of the Society, and by Miss Helen Elgie, of East China, on behalf of the field, after which President Mrs. W. A. Montgomery gave the charge and offered the invocation.

288. On motion, and after prayer by Rev. H. B. Grose, of Massachusetts, the meeting adjourned.

EIGHTEENTH SESSION, *Tuesday, May 25, 9 A. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

289. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

290. Rev. Frank Rector, of Rhode Island, offered prayer.

291. Rev. J. F. Vichert, of Rhode Island, presented and moved the adoption of the following report of the Committee on Order of Business:

Eighteenth Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee.
Report of the Committee on Foreign-speaking Bodies.

10.00 Report of the United Missionary Campaign Committee.
Report concerning Denominational Objectives.
Resolutions concerning the Budget of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

11.00 Report of the Committee on Reports of Cooperating Organizations.
Report of the Committee on City Missions.
Report of the Committee on Social Service.

292. On motion of Rev. E. R. Pope, of Minnesota, it was voted to amend the report of the Committee on Order of Business by the insertion of the "Report of the Committee on State Conventions" before the report of the Committee on Foreign-speaking Bodies.

293. Thereupon it was voted that the report of the Committee on Order of Business be adopted as amended.

294. The minutes of the Convention (Items 203-270 inclusive) were read and approved.

295. The following report of the Committee on State Conventions was presented by Rev. E. R. Pope, of Minnesota:

Report of the Committee on State Conventions

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

Your Commission on State Conventions hereby respectfully presents its report.

I. The Commission Itself

This Commission was appointed in 1911 at the request of the Secretaries of the State Conventions. Its purpose as expressed in the resolution under which it was formed is "to give annually such bird's-eye view of State Conventions as shall be of practical value to the denomination, and to report upon such questions of relation to this (the Northern Baptist) Convention as may be referred to it." Its purpose in the minds of the State Secretaries was no doubt twofold: first, to bring to and keep before the attention of the denomination this branch of missionary endeavor; secondly, to help in bringing about better relations between State Conventions and the Northern Baptist Convention.

Your Commission thinks it has contributed somewhat to these ends. The reviews of State work that have been presented have furnished much information, giving basis for valuable discussion. Through its endeavor, all of the State Conventions, except three, are now fully "affiliating organizations" of the Northern Baptist Convention. These three State Conventions have good reasons for not affiliating and are in full sympathy with the Northern Baptist Convention. Your Commission has studied and discussed some particular phases of State Convention work and has given its findings. Some specific recommendations have been made and all have been adopted; some of them somewhat *pro forma*, we fear. The State Conventions, too, have adopted some of these recommendations; some apparently have been ignored, probably in some cases because attention was not directly called to the matter. Unquestionably State Conventions better appreciate the whole denominational life; and the denomination values more highly the State Conventions and appreciates more fully their place and service. To these desirable objects your Commission has contributed its share.

The Northern Baptist Convention has not referred to this Commission any question of relationship, nor has any request been made of the Commission except as to statistics, of which we speak later. It is the opinion of the Commission that it might and should be used more fully by both

State organizations and the Northern Baptist Convention to their mutual advantage.

The scope of this Commission has been construed by it in broad terms; yet some matters have not been presented, lest it might seemingly infringe on other Commissions. In the report of 1914 mention was made of this apparent crossing. Some of this is inevitable in the readjusting process; but your Commission believes efficiency will be promoted by the Northern Baptist Convention instructing the Executive Committee to define more closely the spheres of these various Commissions and to advise them to consult about questions of common interest.

The Corresponding Secretary of the Northern Baptist Convention suggested to the Commission the preparation of the Directory of Affiliating Organizations and the Statistical Tables, which have been printed in the Northern Baptist Convention Annuals of 1912, 1913, and 1914. These your Commission have been glad to prepare to the best of its ability with the ready assistance of the officers of the National and State organizations. We believe these tables are of largest value and should be made more complete, showing in one place to the fullest extent the statistical facts of our denomination.

Your Commission calls the attention of the Northern Baptist Convention to the fact that except the cost of printing its report, the work of the Commission *has not cost* the Northern Baptist Convention *one cent*. We believe the appointment of the Commission has been much more than justified, and that its usefulness can be largely increased by the Northern Baptist Convention, the State Conventions, and the State Secretaries using it much more fully.

II. State Secretaries Association

For a number of years State Secretaries of various sections met by districts for purposes of fellowship and consultation in regard to questions of mutual interest. At the Anniversaries, and later at the Northern Baptist Convention, the Secretaries of all the States met for the same purposes. These meetings were rather informal and there was no real organization. These meetings were always hampered by the brief time that could be given them. A more formal organization of all the State Secretaries has been made and midyear conferences held. In December, 1913, this Association met in New York City and was attended not only by the State Secretaries but by officers of all the National Societies. In December, 1914, another meeting was held in Cleveland, continuing for three days. The State Secretaries held five sessions, followed by a joint session with City Mission Superintendents, and then all met in two joint sessions with representatives of the National Societies and the Northern Baptist Convention. This meeting was largely attended, freest discussion was had, and some important resolutions were passed. Papers presented discussed the

following topics: Work among Foreign-speaking People, The Twentieth Century State Convention, The Unification of the Mission Work of the State Conventions, The Best Method of Conducting the Co-operative Work of a State Convention, The Relation Between City Mission Organizations and State Conventions, The Supervision of City Mission Work from a City Superintendent's Point of View, A Single Collection Agency or Missionary Bureau from the Societies' Point of View, and The Place and Work of State Conventions in connection with the Northern Baptist Convention. An Annual Every-member Canvass, a larger work along District Missionary and Evangelistic Lines, the Importance of City Mission work and its correlation with State Conventions were all commended. Some recommendations as to principles of State organization we allude to later. These papers, with report of the Conference, have been printed in pamphlet form and a few copies may be obtained from W. A. Davison, D. D., Burlington, Vermont, President of the State Secretaries' Association. We have called special attention to this meeting as a very important conference of brethren and sisters to whom have been entrusted grave responsibilities and who earnestly work together in the common interests of their common task. The interest of one branch of work is the interest of all, and the interest of all is the interest of each. All are bound together in common endeavor for the kingdom of our Lord.

III. Statistical Matters

1. *This Year's Tables.* Accompanying this report are tables such as have been prepared for two years past. They are more complete and accurate, and may be considered official, for they are taken from official sources. We call attention to an addition made to the Directory of Affiliating Organizations, giving the Time and Place of the next State Meetings. We emphasize the fact that the tables of 1913 included New Mexico. This was omitted in 1914 because the New Mexico State Convention joined the Southern Baptist Convention. For the same reason, Oklahoma State Convention is omitted this year. If comparisons of totals are made, these deductions must be considered. The tables of this year present figures of the Free Baptists of Maine and New Hampshire. In most States they are already included in the Baptist Annuals; in these States the process of unification is going on but is not yet completed.

2. *Uniformity.* In the report of this Commission, submitted in 1913, it was recommended that the Commission in "consultation with the organization of State Secretaries, try to secure more uniformity and completeness of statistics in the various State Annuals." This is a matter of great importance, not so much for the sake of uniformity, as for the sake of adequate presentation of denominational progress and achievement, particularly as affording a possibility for comparative studies in various portions of the field of the Northern Baptist Convention.

3. *Titles.* In the matter of Convention titles, we find considerable agree-

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left of the name of the churches are found the items of current expense, which are of general interest. On the right hand of the name of the churches, the contributions of the churches for missionary or outside work are rearranged or regrouped, so that if totals in any church are desired, for example, for Foreign Missions or for Home Missions, the totals can readily be taken. The items for the Northern Baptist Convention are introduced and find their regular place with other benevolences.

c. *Fiscal Year.* Another step towards uniformity is that of the State Convention fiscal year. The State Conventions affiliated with the Northern Baptist Convention meet from September to the following April, two of them occurring in April, and one in January, and all the others from September to the end of November. About thirty of the State Conventions have fixed upon September 30th as the closing date of their fiscal year. It is certainly desirable that the current quarters of their official year shall coincide on the part of all State Conventions and the cooperating Societies of the Northern Baptist Convention. Much is to be said in favor of the Conventions closing their fiscal year on September 30th, thus creating two culminating points in our missionary operations. While much may be said in favor of reducing our practice of giving to such regularity that every month of the year shall be a culminating point, it is not likely that this will occur at any early date. And dividing the year into two equal parts, so that the sense of responsibility and pressure for State Conventions on the one hand, and for the National Societies on the other hand, may occur at equal intervals in the year, seems the best possible plan for the present. We would urge, therefore, such action by the Northern Baptist Convention and by the various State Conventions as may be necessary to establish the year from October 1 to September 30 as the fiscal year of State Conventions, while the fiscal year of the National Societies remains as now

d. *Statistical Year.* In connection with this matter of uniformity in fiscal years, we desire also to call attention to another matter of very great importance, namely, a uniform statistical year. At the present time this is in great disorder. The statistics for missionary giving, as printed in the reports of National Societies, are for the year April 1st to March 31st. This same giving appears in Convention Annuals for a different fiscal year, varying much in the different States. Membership statistics vary even more widely. These are usually gathered to be reported to the Associations, and the associational period varies from April to October. The statistics are printed in the Year-Book, about February or later. Those published herewith are at this time (May, 1915) from six months to one year old. Furthermore the statistics as reported to the Associations are usually statistics of the fiscal year of each local church, and this varies much.

Your Commission is of the opinion that two changes will introduce order where there is now so much confusion. (1) Let the churches in each State conform their fiscal year to the fiscal year of the Convention; and

(2) let the churches report their statistics direct to the Convention. This would establish the year, October 1st to September 30th, as the statistical year of the denomination, and would give ample time for the statistics to be put into the hands of the Publication Society for printing in the Year-Book by January 1. In view of the fact that practically the whole body of churches of the Northern Baptist Convention plan their church campaigns of work to begin with the fall, running through the winter season, it would seem that all interests would be served by this change, and it is therefore submitted as a recommendation for the consideration of churches and Conventions.

e. *Treasurers' Reports.* Examination of State Convention Annuals reveals much diversity in these reports. *Generally* full details are given; but frequently there is no, or an incomplete, summary. So it is difficult to ascertain the facts as to contributions and disbursements without considerable figuring; and comparisons and compilations are made uncertain. If each State Convention would instruct its Secretary to use a form setting forth the following facts, it would be of great help.

RECEIPTS

From Churches, Sunday-schools, Young People's Societies, Women's State Organizations, and Individuals .....$.....
From Home Mission Society.....$.....
From Publication Society .....$.....
From Other Organizations .....$.....
From Interest on Invested Funds.....$.....
From Sale of Properties.....$.....
From Contributions for Permanent Funds, Legacies, and Annuities .....$.....
From Miscellaneous Sources .....$.....

Total Cash Receipts .....$.....

DISBURSEMENTS

For Missionaries' Salaries:
General Workers .....$.....
Pastors .....$.....
—————$.....
For Gifts to Church Building.....$.....
For Additions to Permanent Funds.....$.....
For Expenses, Printing, Postage, Rent, etc.....$.....
For Miscellaneous Objects .....$.....

Total Disbursements .....$.....

These items cover all the State Convention activities, eliminating cash balances and borrowed money.

3. *Statistical Secretary.* From what has been written, it is evident that your Commission thinks Baptist denominational statistics are in a deplorable condition, and at their best are unreliable. This is true along

other lines than those already mentioned. To illustrate: How many missionaries are at work in the home field of the Northern Baptist Convention under appointment of National, State, and City organizations, both men and women? This seems a simple question readily answered by taking the various reports, if you have them, and adding their totals. One example will show the mistake: here is a superintendent of city missions, appointed by the City, State, and National organizations, paid by them in a cooperative agreement, and reported as a worker by all three. Certainly, valuable as the brother's services may be, he is *not* three men. This condition is not unusual, but frequent.

All this leads your Commission to believe that there is need of a Statistical Secretary of the Northern Baptist Convention to whom shall be given the work of gathering, collating, arranging, and presenting the statistical facts of our Baptist churches and organizations. Such an official could do much in connection with this statistical work. A small Baptist Hand Book could be published, giving names, location, addresses, of our many National and State, missionary, educational, and philanthropic organizations.

The work might be done in connection with some other work at comparatively small expense. Your Commission believes this suggestion is very important and should be carefully considered and referred to the Executive Committee for action.

IV. State Convention Reorganization

State missionary organizations or Conventions were among the earliest forms of Baptist missionary life. Very soon some of these organizations in their activities reached out far beyond their State's borders. When the National organizations were formed, the older State organizations gradually limited their work to the State, and the newer "State Conventions were organized primarily for the conduct of mission work within the several States." In most of the State Conventions, however, the more extensive work has always been presented; and in the earlier years, in some States, offerings for the National organizations were handled by the State treasurers.

In recent years there has been much local discussion of the best form of State organization; and after the formation of the Northern Baptist Convention this was intensified from the desire properly to relate the States to the National organization. When the Northern Baptist Convention, by a By-Law, stated that State Conventions, if they wished to become affiliated, should express their purpose and object in broader terms than most of them had heretofore used, further reorganization was inevitable. To be sure, "merely to change the phraseology of the object article in the constitution cannot change the historical character of these organizations," but it will certainly be a step toward some change. In this changing, reorganizing process we are now engaged. It is a time to hasten slowly; but

out of free discussion, brotherly consideration, and mutual cooperation, under guidance of the Spirit, some helpful conclusions will surely be reached.

The facts in regard to the movement for State Convention reorganization seem to be these:

1. All of the State Conventions (except three) have adopted substantially the statement of object proposed by the Northern Baptist Convention as to "Affiliating Organizations."

2. *Arizona* has amended its Constitution in regard to its Board of Managers.

Northern California has reorganized and adopted a new Constitution, following the Northern Baptist Convention as far as possible, and provided for other organizations becoming "cooperating societies" of the State Convention. The affairs of the Convention are directed by a Board of Managers, divided into five committees, one of which, the State Missions and Executive, represents the entire Board. The Convention is designed to be "the clearing-house" for all Baptist activities in the State.

Colorado at the meeting of the State Convention in 1914 received a report of a Committee on New Constitution which is to be acted on this Fall (1915). It is proposed to direct the work of the Convention by a Board of Directors through nine committees.

Delaware is considering the formation of a State Convention, as its present organization takes in some churches outside of the State.

District of Columbia. The Constitution was amended in 1914 and other changes are to be voted on in 1915.

Illinois has amended its Constitution so that "any regular city mission organization in the State may nominate a director of the State Convention, provided the State Superintendent is recognized as ex-officio member of the City Mission Board."

Indiana has reorganized and recognizes a primary and secondary purpose of its State Convention. The former is carried out by five Boards, and the latter by six managing Committees. There is an Executive Committee composed of the Presidents of the five Boards and the State Secretary.

Iowa has adopted a new Constitution. Its affairs are directed by a Board of Managers divided into fourteen Committees. There are two Secretaries; one, a Missionary Secretary in charge of the field work, the missionary pastors, and other missionary enterprises of the State Convention; the other, a Budget Secretary, elected by the Board of Managers in consultation with cooperating Societies. His duties are financial, and he represents to the Baptists of the State both State and National missionary organizations.

Massachusetts. The State Missionary Society has taken charge of the work of the Boston Baptist City Mission Society and this last year has entered into an agreement for joint and cooperative work with the Mas-

sachusetts Baptist Sunday School Association. Three years ago the General Convention of Massachusetts Baptists was organized to give expression upon matters of denominational importance and of general religious and moral interests, to develop denominational unity, and to give increased efficiency to the work. It is composed of delegates from the churches, the officers of four State organizations and the Northern Baptist Education Society, and delegates chosen by these Societies. It considers questions of apportionment, young people's work, and social service, chiefly.

Michigan has thoroughly reconstructed its work, making the State Convention the center of all missionary interests, and its realm the coordination, unification, and supervision of the entire denominational activity in the State. The State Convention aims to be the collecting agency for all missionary funds and to be responsible for the educational and inspirational work of all missionary endeavors. Its affairs are governed by a Board of Managers with two Committees; and there is also a Board of Missions, composed of four Committees, some of its members being also members of the Board of Managers. The National Societies have no *official* relation to the State organization.

Minnesota has appointed a Committee on Reorganization, but only preliminary investigations have been made, no conclusions have been reached or report made.

Missouri will consider, at its next meeting of the General Association, a new Constitution. This organizes the work in three Boards—Missions, Education, and Philanthropy—each consisting of fifteen members, at least one-third of whom shall be women. The Board of Missions has power to appoint Secretaries and to care for funds for Foreign, Home, State missions, and for Sunday-school work. There seems to be no provision for correlation of these departments in any way.

Nebraska has a new Constitution. The work of the State Convention is conducted by a Board of Managers, which appoints an Executive Committee and six Commissions. There is also a Committee on United Beneficence, with a State Secretary of Unified Beneficence, who is nominated by the Committee and elected by the Convention. This Committee represents all cooperating Societies, State and National, and is charged with the collection and distribution to the Societies of all missionary funds. There is a State Secretary, but the relation of the two officers is not defined.

New Jersey has reorganized, and brought together by Committees the missionary, educational, and young people's work. Each of these branches has a State Secretary, and there is also a General Secretary, but their relations to one another are not specified. The National Societies are not officially related to the State organization, except as to apportionments. A standing Commission on Policy is appointed to recommend changes and supervise the execution of them.

New York, at the meeting of the State Missionary Convention in 1914, appointed a Committee on Efficiency to study the needs of the field, and if

there appears to be a demand for modifications and enlargement of the State Convention organization, to recommend such with time for full discussion and adoption in the annual meeting of 1915.

North Dakota amended its Constitution in 1914 in several minor respects.

Ohio amended its Constitution in 1909 and in 1914 several changes were made on recommendation of the Board of Managers, among other matters providing for an Executive Secretary to have charge of all the work of the Convention. Later consideration will be given to a better affiliation and cooperation with the various Baptist city mission organizations, the Education Society, the young people's and Sunday-school work.

Pennsylvania has a new Constitution, and its work is conducted by three Boards—a State Mission Board, an Education Board, a Young People's Board, each of which may have a General Secretary. There is a Finance Committee which acts as an Apportionment Committee in cooperation with the Northern Baptist Convention Apportionment Committee.

Wisconsin has a new Constitution which seeks to gather all Baptist activities within the State into itself. "Everything Baptistic within the State heads up in the State Convention." The chief executive is the superintendent, and he is superintendent of each and every one of the ten departments of the State Convention. There is also a Mission Bureau with a Secretary; the Bureau is composed of the General Mission Committee and one representative from each cooperating society. The function of the Mission Bureau and the duties are not expressed in the Constitution, but it is designed to be educational, financial, and inspirational.

Possibly some States have been omitted in this review, but it seems that 18 out of 36 State organizations have already considered the question of reorganization, and at least 7 have been reorganized along somewhat similar lines. Five of these appear to have tried to relate themselves by Constitution to the work of the National organizations, though mostly in a financial way. The Pacific Coast and some of the Western States have succeeded the best in unifying the work of the National and State organizations in the State under one general management through cooperative relationship.

The reorganization of State Conventions is not solely a financial question, nor is it concerned only with the best method of gathering missionary funds. The employment of a Budget Secretary may or may not be advisable; but the reorganization of a State Convention does not necessarily involve such a change.

In every State, other Baptist State organizations (some missionary, others educational, or philanthropic) work along various lines. If the State Convention is to be the denominational "clearing-house," or in the words of Secretary Mower, of Maine, "the circumference embracing all Baptist resources and interests, and binding all together in denomina-

tional fellowship, coherence, and unity," then these other State organizations must in some way be connected with the State Convention

Besides these State organizations, there are the National Societies and the Northern Baptist Convention; some of these work in the State, either cooperatively or independently, and all seek from the State moral and financial support. So if the State Convention is to be the "clearing-house" or "circumference," the National Societies must in some way be connected with the State Convention. The State Convention has a *twofold relation* to its constituency within the State, and also to the larger constituency outside its geographical border.

At the State Secretaries' meeting in Cleveland, Dr. Shailer Mathews, a member of this Commission, offered some suggestions in the joint conference which were accepted by all. The first three were: "That the principle governing State Conventions be that of denominational solidarity rather than that of rivalry with National Societies"; "that the field of the State Conventions be the entire denominational activities of the State itself, such activities to recognize the autonomy of, and cooperation with, city mission societies"; "that the State Conventions be so organized as to cooperate, first, with the Northern Baptist Convention and the National Societies; second, with the city mission societies." These suggestions emphasize the principle of "cooperation," and your Commission would urge all State Conventions contemplating reorganization to give them careful consideration.

Your Commission would suggest that the State Convention be so constituted that every Baptist organization within the State may become a cooperating organization thereof; and that the Board be so formed that each cooperating organization shall have the privilege of nominating a member of it, the State Convention being granted the same privilege by these organizations. Your Commission suggests it is very desirable for all mission work within a State to be unified by placing the direction of the work in the hands of the State Board. Your Commission suggests, in order to connect the National organizations more closely with the State Conventions, that a State Commission of Reference and Consultation be formed, consisting of representatives of the State Convention and of the Northern Baptist Convention and the National Societies; these members to be nominated by the Boards or Executive Committees of the respective organizations and elected annually by the State Convention. This State Commission should consider all questions relating to the joint work of the State Convention and Societies, so that before any State-wide movement is undertaken by any of the organizations represented in this Commission, there shall be consultation and conference with it. This Commission should report to the Boards of these organizations as occasion may require, and to the State Convention at its annual meeting.

These suggestions are offered after much thought and study. Details are purposely avoided: but if the general principle of "cooperation" is

adopted, these details can be worked out in each State. Your Commission believes that the initiative in reorganization must be by each State itself, and therefore these suggestions must be referred to the State Conventions.

V. State Review

In response to a question asking what was the most important denominational event in their State this past year, the State Secretaries have replied as follows:

Arizona.—Efficient evangelistic meetings by pastors and other workers without outside help have aided economy; and outlawing the saloon has aided morals.

California, North.—The work has had a wholesome growth, with no outstanding event.

California, South.—The gift of Atherton Villa with five acres of land, all valued at $50,000, as a home for aged ministers and missionaries.

Colorado.—The Student Pastor located. Work among foreign-speaking people. Evangelistic campaign in mission churches. Billy Sunday revival in Denver and Colorado Springs.

Connecticut.—The substitution for apportionments assessed on the churches, voluntary pledges made by the churches. Rapid development of work for foreign-born.

Delaware.—The withdrawing of the Pennsylvania churches of Delaware County to form the Delaware Baptist Association.

District of Columbia.—Beginning of a Baptist Home for Children, with property worth $11,600 and a fund of $2,000. The furnishing of entire building is guaranteed.

Idaho.—Large increase of State mission work and the development of local churches through Efficiency Conferences.

Illinois.—The raising of $35,000 to build a State University Baptist church. The union of 54 churches and 5,000 members of Free Baptists in southern Illinois with the Baptists.

Indiana.—Raising entire State Convention budget, even though the State Superintendent was absent the last six months on account of sickness.

Iowa.—The Billy Sunday evangelistic campaign in Des Moines, that has extended out over the entire State.

Kansas.—Largest number of baptisms and next to largest net gain in membership in any year.

Maine.—Continued progress towards organic union of Baptists and Free Baptists. New emphasis on evangelism. Fresh awakening to importance of our educational institutions.

Massachusetts.—The cooperative agreement of the Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society and the Massachusetts Baptist Sunday School

Association whereby the Sunday-school work becomes a department of the Missionary Society.

Michigan.—Monthly remittances of many churches to the central collecting agency, resulting in saving $900 interest money as compared with three years ago.

Minnesota.—Large increase in baptisms. Appointment of two additional general workers. Commencement of work among Bohemians and Rumanians.

Missouri.—The report of the Efficiency Committee, to be voted on at next General Association in October, which, if adopted, will reorganize the plan of missionary, educational, and philanthropic work.

Montana.—Two buildings erected and paid for. Two churches have become self-supporting. Four new churches organized.

Nebraska.—Churches and pastors have settled down to steady, hard, constructive work. The evangelistic spirit and endeavor is very manifest. More churches raise their budget for all missionary purposes.

Nevada.—Spiritual awakening in rural communities. Organization of one new church.

New Hampshire.—The completed arrangement whereby the Free Baptists will meet with the State Convention in October. This means that union is near.

New Jersey.—Adoption of report of Commission on Policy, resulting in part in appointment of a Field Secretary and Young People's Secretary. Widely pervasive revival spirit.

New York.—The raising of several thousands more for State Missions than ever before. The missionaries baptized many more than for a number of years, and everywhere the work of evangelism and Christian training has been pushed.

North Dakota.—The reopening of old fields and the imperative call of new and neglected fields prompted the Convention to vote unanimously 50 per cent increase of apportionment.

Ohio.—Successful progress toward a vital union of Baptists and Free Baptists. The resignation of the Executive Secretary.

Oregon.—The remarkable awakening of the churches to aggressive evangelistic work, more than 100 meetings held. The large Convention deficit has been cared for. Efficiency Institutes held and Committees appointed.

Pennsylvania.—The addition to our mission churches by baptism of 2065; this is double the number reported in any year.

Rhode Island.—Celebration of the 150th anniversary of Brown University, October, 1914, when distinguished educators from America and abroad participated.

South Dakota.—The baptism of more people than in any year of the Convention's history, with one exception.

Utah.—The completion of Immanuel Church, Salt Lake City, giving the Baptists the most commodious and attractive church edifice in the State.

Vermont.—Baptists and Free Baptists have voted to hold their annual State meetings at the same time and place with one program.

Washington, East.—The increase of 25 per cent in the number of baptisms in the churches.

Washington, West.—Determined effort at aggressive work which, on account of depressed financial conditions, brought debt. But all sacrificed nobly so that no work should be hindered.

West Virginia.—Large and continuous revivals. Many mission churches, as well as established churches, have received large accessions.

Wisconsin.—The establishment of Baptist headquarters, thus centralizing and bringing into closer cooperation all departments of denominational activity.

Wyoming.—The successful operation of nine preaching-points by one man with a car. The extreme points are 80 miles apart and every one is reached once in two weeks.

These brief statements present many encouraging facts and furnish cause for thanksgiving and gratitude, with great hopefulness for the coming year.

VI. Summary

Your Commission summarizes its suggestions as follows:

1. It suggests that the Executive Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention define more closely the sphere of this Commission and advise consultation between this and other related Commissions.

2. It suggests that the Executive Committee consider the advisability of appointment of a Statistical Secretary.

3. It recommends much greater uniformity on the part of State Conventions in the matters of Name, Financial Tables, Fiscal Year, Statistical Year, and Treasurer's Reports, referring for particulars to the paragraphs of this report dealing with these subjects.

4. It recommends to State Conventions that when reorganization is considered, the twofold relation of the State body be kept in mind, and that the Board of the State Convention be formed on a cooperative basis, and a Committee of Consultation with the National organizations be constituted in each State.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATE CONVENTION STATISTICS

Compiled from State Annuals, Reports, etc.

STATE ORGANIZATIONS	Convention Workers		Churches Reporting	Associations	Missions on Home Fields	Members in Churches	Contributions for Missions	Paid in State Convention	Contributed by Women's Mission Society	Contributed by Baptist Education Society	Contributed by Women's Home Mission Society	Contributed by Other Organizations	Invested Funds of State Organizations
Arizona	5	32	54	5	228	1,102	$ 4,907.23	$3,124.82	$9,822.23	$3,500.00	$3,000.00	.....	.....
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Colorado	3	48	66	4	300	5,319	1,284.16	[illegible]	[illegible]	457.84	860.00	25.00	214,501.29
Connecticut	17	30	41	6	150	1,728	1,205.58	9,294.50	3,574.16	.....	.....	.....	.....
Delaware	1	6	7	5	11	258	261.98	555.00	906.25	.....	.....	.....	3,733.35
District of Columbia	1	5	5	2	71	437	547.59	14,737.28	500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Idaho	7	38	55	4	162	1,877	2,694.86	5,548.66	7,106.84	2,438.98	270.50	.....	.....
Illinois	14	33	32	3	763	2,740	1,546.49	15,644.32	.....	.....	.....	750.00	46,631.06
Indiana	12	31	31	3	1,240	2,715	2,592.29	21,718.36	300.00	.....	250.00	.....	43,555.96
Iowa	8	49	60	4	497	3,000	4,435.72	11,798.63	375.00	.....	.....	.....	94,799.83
Kansas	21	53	114	4	767	3,956	2,414.82	11,992.82	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maine	12	70	100	3	148	5,285	4,841.59	10,137.25	1,399.99	.....	.....	.....	275,164.74
Massachusetts	7	118	136	11	415	7,730	9,547.32	15,170.13	7,273.61	.....	.....	.....	562,093.74
Michigan	9	36	72	3	296	2,497	.....	11,465.54	835.62	.....	.....	.....	115,060.50
Minnesota	9	54	114	6	267	2,909	2,743.68	18,514.76	3,575.00	.....	.....	.....	17,000.00
Missouri	42	100	180	4	4,316	12,609	.....	30,100.29	.....	750.00	.....	500.00	24,768.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	3,700.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	11,713.41
Nebraska	6	24	73	2	291	2,322	1,128.69	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,200.00	.....	.....
Nevada	7	10	23	2	37	369	830.00	540.80	1,850.00	1,050.00	.....	.....	.....
New Hampshire	5	54	41	4	46	1,959	2,598.50	2,098.35	1,018.99	500.00	.....	.....	276,357.21
New Jersey	4	60	65	10	307	3,690	2,166.31	18,369.12	4,432.04	.....	.....	100.00	203,404.56
New York	11	158	350	8	1,322	9,931	8,117.00	83,106.36	1,064.25	508.33	.....	.....	73,750.04
North Dakota	5	28	29	4	136	1,174	2,059.24	2,622.23	7,160.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio	9	39	51	7	547	3,900	2,587.71	22,498.86	400.00	360.00	.....	270.00	24,578.00
Oregon	14	29	60	5	262	1,832	2,534.41	9,500.00	9,483.63	[illegible]	[illegible]	903.47	8,350.00
Pennsylvania	32	88	146	9	2,065	8,000	7,593.99	32,538.81	6,314.50	[illegible]	.....	25,602.29	36,059.92
Rhode Island	7	17	13	6	31	1,116	646.55	7,771.09	1,942.30	[illegible]	.....	.....	60,256.81
South Dakota	6	29	74	6	209	1,488	2,231.09	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....
Utah	7	6	6	3	6	262	228.41	981.12	10,078.49	.....	1,200.00	.....	.....
[illegible]	6	56	63	3	91	3,050	4,168.00	7,583.46	841.24	.....	.....	.....	238,116.21
[illegible]	4	23	47	1	171	1,812	2,726.91	6,037.55	8,307.85	2,470.55	260.55	.....	.....
[illegible]	13	38	57	9	143	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	550.00	1,846.75
[illegible]	12	39	47	5	735	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,400.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wisconsin	7	44	79	5	164	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	750.00	121,874.29
Wyoming	2	15	50	2	128	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	381	1,547	2,477		17,238	114,328	$ 99,186.45	[illegible]	[illegible]	$ 57,820.93	$29,288.46	$29,612.01	$2,460,582.55
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....	2,458,237.79

NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Compiled from State Annuals,

CONVENTIONS	Total Number Churches	Gain			Loss			Total Membership	American		New-American	
		Baptism	Letter	Otherwise	Letter	Otherwise	Death		Churches	Members	Churches	Members
Arizona	41	197	279	76	77	208	18	2,101	32	2,028	1	54
California, North.	157	1,239	1,340	497	928	166	566	16,680	129	15,185	12	641
California, South.	122	1,550	2,160	797	1,354	703	216	22,958	92	20,061	4	646
Colorado	131	1,420	1,167	455	832	245	125	15,811	113	13,928	4	218
Connecticut	154	847	443	161	531	310	392	26,891	122	22,452	14	1,496
Delaware	28	194	84	38	90	115	50	5,211	20	3,580	2	204
District of Columbia	23	529	333	126	244	362	70	9,121	22	9,082	1	39
Idaho	62	349	....	401	213	272	....	4,308	59	4,110	2	169
Illinois	1,234	7,761	....	....	....	....	....	155,778	979	130,791	59	7,926
Indiana	596	4,447	2,873	....	1,811	1,371	781	81,585	513	67,911	3	174
Iowa	393	2,437	1,290	540	1,423	1,076	446	44,928	326	39,872	28	2,214
Kansas	626	4,155	1,870	958	1,901	1,388	398	56,964	424	42,169	32	2,295
Maine	241	639	327	127	362	349	335	21,282	238	21,069	3	213
Free Baptists.	185	274	....	176	142	4	163	10,821	185	10,821	...	....
Massachusetts ...	344	3,168	1,993	341	2,168	1,131	1,022	79,456	307	74,410	16	1,649
Michigan	425	3,325	1,919	1,053	1,833	1,761	581	46,407	370	41,941	34	2,612
Minnesota	256	1,239	929	146	970	506	236	25,900	129	15,700	124	9,560
Missouri	2,160	13,195	7,152	8,277	7,390	4,909	1,713	220,959	1,853	190,392	7	567
Montana	45	234	288	76	165	73	25	4,088	36	3,855	5	135
Nebraska	190	912	543	234	659	434	155	15,958	158	13,387	28	1,811
Nevada	13	44	66	30	40	26	10	523	13	523	...	....
New Hampshire..	87	341	199	22	223	74	159	9,226	84	9,100	2	96
Free Baptists.	79	51	87	8	83	9	90	5,250	79	5,250	...	....
New Jersey.....	371	3,157	2,325	1,405	1,116	1,380	750	69,982	247	52,372	15	1,463
New York.....	946	6,462	3,994	1,453	4,439	3,660	2,125	166,849	882	150,272	25	4,187
North Dakota.....	89	331	183	58	213	120	42	5,754	33	2,385	56	3,369
Ohio	603	4,024	1,957	1,043	1,938	1,687	761	74,005	460	72,297	11	1,708
Oregon	128	985	1,055	347	700	656	129	15,033	115	13,650	12	1,313
Pennsylvania	768	10,890	2,618	2,730	2,684	4,043	1,306	139,663	740	123,618	10	667
Rhode Island.....	112	608	284	162	445	149	287	19,225	103	17,664	2	222
South Dakota....	103	642	307	122	274	208	64	8,007	66	5,027	36	2,959
Utah	14	37	68	35	111	11	5	1,183	11	1,067	1	25
Vermont	112	357	227	68	285	69	146	9,116	110	9,087	2	29
Washington, East.	85	416	367	196	327	300	39	6,114	79	6,114	2	20
Washington, West	122	641	844	268	797	498	91	11,046	89	8,580	27	2,124
West Virginia....	668	3,759	1,055	554	1,069	988	496	56,889	668	56;889	...	....
Wisconsin	213	1,098	661	165	688	399	227	21,240	152	16,714	59	4,445
Wyoming	32	217	....	....	....	....	....	1,611	30	1,554	...	....
Totals	11,958	82,181	41,287	23,145	38,525	29,660	14,019	1,487,923	10,068	1,294,907	639	55,250
* Totals Last Year	11,709	67,194	34,101	13,033	30,892	27,091	10,813	1,465,087	9,319	1,263,373	655	60,163

* Omitting Oklahoma.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Reports of Secretaries, etc.

Afro-American

4	110	36	2,557	86	$ 144,320	$ 11,925	$ 30,209.26	$ 7,413.09	$	37,621.34
16	494	151	16,000	186	1,604,675	149,061	231,668.71	89,798.06		271,460.77
86	6,327	101	19,205	170	1,766,024	157,423	522,768.00	156,971.00		679,739.00
16	1,485	56	11,540	76	936,309	118,738	130,311.71	30,928.16		161,139.87
18	2,918	145	18,943	189	2,636,915	.....	274,111.43	62,553.21		336,664.64
6	1,467	40	3,957	56	547,100	.....	42,604.65	7,638.99		50,243.64
11	1,000	69	8,148	99	1,083,309	164,686	114,142.34	35,142.73		149,285.07
4	82	44	4,655	44	255,235	30,363	83,519.16	8,212.67		61,731.83
196	12,004	917	108,508	1,048	7,671,110	.....	1,111,118.95	198,365.08	1	1,309,484.03
89	18,300	459	51,001	489	2,597,194	.....	551,158.19	80,445.86		131,604.05
76	8,142	581	20,742	546	2,760,118	95,122	342,734.42	56,986.98		399,620.40
149	19,490	818	44,080	800	2,137,260	104,510	351,232.28	61,383.68		412,556.96
.....	.....	400	19,729	494	1,438,525	.....	189,019.05	34,232.33		223,251.38
.....	.....	127	10,214	.....	.....	.....	78,188.09	4,716.70		82,904.79
91	8,297	505	71,561	482	3,844,181	.....	1,171,429.28	114,470.77	1	1,285,920.36
21	1,284	270	45,673	494	3,828,085	.....	541,497.00	77,419.00		618,916.00
8	949	227	21,794	217	2,971,355	110,205	383,347.73	93,838.97		477,186.99
309	34,500	1,458	125,318	1,482	6,233,027	.....	869,858.14	252,176.01	1	1,122,034.45
4	90	41	3,209	44	319,089	12,022	56,883.09	4,443.24		61,326.33
4	780	178	13,269	188	940,696	33,955	160,102.00	37,260.62		197,462.62
.....	.....	14	1,202	24	67,142	1,707	16,402.00	1,584.00		17,986.00
1	84	82	7,060	.....	800,650	.....	92,949.87	20,215.31		113,165.14
.....	.....	58	1,256	.....	.....	.....	47,484.65	6,855.00		54,339.65
169	17,324	760	46,028	486	7,146,585	.....	804,411.90	161,327.32		965,739.22
39	12,230	870	129,230	923	21,056,109	.....	1,711,112.00	298,927.00	2	2,110,039.00
.....	.....	127	5,708	74	231,600	13,820	59,067.95	8,008.07		67,076.02
132	.....	472	55,510	812	4,489,043	.....	723,998.00	92,545.31		816,543.37
1	70	146	10,143	138	823,956	38,461	118,622.00	30,536.00		149,158.00
18	15,278	766	115,352	901	12,083,800	.....	1,644,385.21	317,320.57	1	1,961,705.78
7	1,239	199	20,005	117	1,400,000	.....	229,994.12	41,231.97		270,326.09
1	21	98	6,843	80	502,633	.....	101,602.67	13,911.80		115,514.17
2	91	15	1,071	14	132,800	23,180	22,383.81	825.66		23,219.16
.....	.....	103	7,410	111	937,400	.....	83,116.00	17,555.00		99,471.00
4	110	59	5,721	61	601,065	111,791	88,972.22	10,299.10		99,271.32
6	312	126	10,723	132	991,864	189,185	143,893.00	25,635.00		169,528.00
.....	.....	379	36,003	516	1,608,119	.....	228,832.09	40,557.65		269,389.74
2	81	211	19,230	218	1,715,542	58,639	238,197.32	39,432.47		277,929.79
2	57	25	1,556	26	127,589	.....	19,200.00	1,975.00		21,175.00
1,251	140,121	9,858	1,113,5	9,[illegible]	$102,330,838	$1,485,745	$13,480,117.66	$2,693,096.47	$16,173,214 1[illegible]	
1,161	136,687	9,009	1,065,811	9,[illegible]12	87,759,089	1,079,343	12,524,525.24[illegible]	2,429,681.01	15,033,891.35	

BENEVOLENT OFFERINGS TO NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND STATE CONVENTIONS, 1914-1915

Exclusive of Interest Received or Legacies. Compiled from Treasurer's Statements

	A. B. F. M. S.	W. A. B. F. M. S.	A. B. H. M. S.	W. A. B. H. M. S.	A. B. P. S.	N. B. C.	M. & M. B. F.	City Missions*	State Conventions	Special for Joint Debt	Rep. Com. State Conv.
Arizona	$621.25	$347.45	$556.05	$411.45	$556.37	$12.00	$78.50	.....	$3,124.82	$66.00	
California, North	7,838.88	2,110.10	4,740.87	6,496.89	2,354.60	276.70	797.25	.....	28,222.00	1,439.08	
California, South	25,618.93	5,170.16	10,614.14		2,947.99		1,523.38	.....	21,058.08	9,145.38	
Colorado	5,016.49	2,927.76	3,697.77	1,872.65	1,825.42	162.35	1,078.13	.....	9,508.35	743.98	
Connecticut	12,427.30	5,505.72	6,152.84	6,414.76	1,620.05	225.60	2,386.97	$3,856.50	9,294.50	12,869.44	
Delaware	912.50	1,107.91	591.82	407.47	659.47	36.81	73.64	.....	555.00	20.71	
District of Columbia	2,492.79	3,078.22	1,626.08	1,243.78	.....	2.25	3.75	.....	14,737.28	1,073.60	
Idaho	1,199.95	373.72	702.90	266.02	447.81	33.30	38.08	.....	5,548.66	441.30	
Illinois	33,265.44	19,417.84	16,956.16	15,737.23	6,041.50	1,060.87	3,326.95	36,583.84	15,644.32	16,584.20	
Indiana	13,475.55	5,721.98	7,030.83	5,615.00	4,164.48	112.13	1,923.55	.....	21,718.36	2,666.00	
Iowa	13,164.83	6,626.84	7,614.95	5,009.16	3,081.84	863.30	1,247.48	.....	11,798.63	3,579.64	
Kansas	9,866.33	6,844.41	5,168.62	4,464.92	2,981.07	313.52	325.70	.....	11,992.82	3,172.48	
Maine	12,888.56	5,515.72	4,891.54	4,380.38	1,393.27	233.00	69.57	.....	10,137.25	4,292.76	
Massachusetts	59,895.73	29,639.84	27,365.49	23,600.70	7,106.23	1,274.18	572.22	1,179.66	15,170.13	29,164.57	
Michigan	19,234.89	12,245.32	9,357.59	7,365.96	4,852.08	921.11	2,270.00	8,835.00	11,465.54	4,196.71	
Minnesota	23,825.09	7,607.14	6,008.43	5,232.33	2,813.33	390.39	834.05	6,769.76	18,514.76	3,695.02	
Missouri	12,101.84	3,748.59	4,757.69	2,014.06	1,270.02	.....	25.00	6,613.05	30,100.29	2,514.55	
Montana	669.87	333.95	530.05	257.27	404.70	9.00	36.00	.....	2,538.50	151.50	
Nebraska	6,778.74	3,128.38	4,068.72	2,529.12	1,964.05	298.13	870.20	.....	7,901.73	891.46	
Nevada	185.28	82.85	241.00	136.26	108.40	4.00	6.00	.....	540.80	61.00	
New Hampshire	6,983.76	4,578.84	3,108.47	2,772.13	867.58	93.45	344.60	.....	2,098.35	2,248.47	
New Jersey	24,014.81	17,144.15	15,894.54	9,744.15	5,679.86	923.55	5,507.80	1,000.00	18,369.12	9,090.65	
New York	302,223.96	64,959.99	49,784.22	41,423.52	12,712.46	2,383.33	15,308.71	112,085.10	83,106.36	130,172.42	
North Dakota	888.43	1,154.78	647.33	795.87	1,156.25	56.00	67.40	.....	2,622.23	679.70	
Ohio	27,600.97	17,208.77	13,979.75	9,556.17	5,506.37	617.12	2,219.80	24,637.22	22,498.86	9,679.54	
Oregon	5,094.73	2,678.06	3,041.97	1,839.72	2,093.53	49.49	273.34	.....	9,500.00	842.88	
Pennsylvania	60,685.79	22,507.22	22,363.68	12,004.29	15,895.50	1,021.59	1,402.34	20,922.42	32,538.81	12,948.78	
Rhode Island	10,127.54	5,540.49	4,724.88	3,968.56	1,439.20	357.12	515.61	.....	7,771.09	4,126.97	
South Dakota	2,928.51	1,666.63	1,841.81	1,114.41	866.31	51.50	27.60	.....	5,157.84	432.26	
Utah	176.24	144.25	214.14	89.45	143.81	11.00	27.75	.....	981.12	45.25	
Vermont	4,489.13	3,379.41	2,375.68	1,915.25	936.53	249.74	34.40	.....	7,583.46	3,446.83	
Washington, East	1,614.21	955.86	795.20	1,804.90	645.77	150.15	395.52	.....	6,037.55	305.30	
Washington, West	5,287.45	2,560.03	2,409.15		1,544.97			.....	8,023.82	591.84	
West Virginia	8,412.11	3,426.80	5,804.61	1,599.39	3,425.01	170.43	15.00	.....	15,758.15	2,980.53	
Wisconsin	6,095.76	4,789.01	2,758.51	3,615.17	1,661.24	406.67	1,496.00	.....	11,768.25	1,750.07	
Wyoming	234.79	136.75	207.45	125.70	157.06	.....	10.00	.....	755.48	76.85	
	$728,338.43	$274,564.94	$252,624.93	$185,824.09	$101,324.13	$12,769.84	$45,132.29	$222,482.55	$479,142.31	$276,187.62	

*These figures are minimum; some important cities are omitted.

296. On motion of Rev. E. R. Pope, it was voted that the report be received and adopted.

297. Secretary L. A. Crandall presented the following supplementary report of the Executive Committee:

The "Suggested Plan for Providing Annuities for Ministers and Missionaries" referred to the Executive Committee last year has been carefully considered. Upon the suggestion of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board it is recommended that further consideration of this matter be postponed for two years.

298. On motion of Rev. J. F. Herget, of Ohio, it was voted that the report be received and adopted.

299. The following report of the Committee on Foreign-speaking Bodies was presented by Rev. J. F. Herget, of Ohio:

Report of the Committee on Foreign-speaking Bodies

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The Commission on Foreign-speaking Bodies presents its annual report with a growing sense of the importance and value of the service which it has been able to render as a clearing-house for our Baptist interests among our brethren who use a foreign language in their worship and service.

Last year the Commission embodied in its report a brief outline statement of the numerical strength and the aggregate benevolent offerings of twelve groups of foreign-speaking Baptists and the list of officers of the organized conferences. This was the first time that this interesting and valuable information had ever been collected and presented to the denomination. The Commission decided to incorporate this feature in its report this year and trusts that succeeding reports may bring this information down to date each year.

As the Convention meets at such a distance from the point of making our last report, it may be well to make a brief statement as to how the Commission came into being and the function which it is intended to perform.

During the last few years the denominational missionary work among foreign-speaking groups has developed an unsuspected element of denominational strength and at the same time startling varieties of language and some consequent divisive results. About the same time the denominational leaders became conscious that there was a danger that these groups might become separated in their interests from the great denominational body of which they were a part, and on the part of the foreign-speaking Baptists themselves there was a feeling that it was not possible for them to lay their problems before the denomination and secure their attention because there was no common meeting ground.

This earlier Commission after two years' work recommended the creation of a permanent commission to meet this need. The Commission was created and the principle upon which its membership is constituted indicates its representative character and assures a full opportunity for our foreign-speaking brethren and our denominational officers to meet in intimate council.

The Commission is composed of two representatives of the Northern Baptist Convention, an officer of the Home Mission Society, the Foreign Mission Society, the Publication Society, the Woman's Home Mission Society, and a representative from each of the organized foreign-speaking conferences.

During the session of the Northern Baptist Convention last year at Boston, a large and representative group of foreign-speaking brethren and missionary officers who were especially interested in that phase of our missionary work came together in an open meeting of the Commission in the Ford Building for a most interesting session. Among the matters under discussion there were brought before the group questions relating to the training of the leaders among the different nationalities, the creation of a more adequate literature, and the importance of reconciling some of the differences in the matter of multiple apportionments. A subcommittee was appointed to prepare "A Call to the Churches," which was published in all the denominational papers early in the fall.

A CALL TO THE CHURCHES

"The crisis is on in our work of Home Missions. Over a million of immigrants come annually to our shores from all quarters of the globe. The Home Mission Society is bringing the gospel to these nationalities in twenty-two European and three Asiatic languages. There are already twelve well-defined foreign-speaking Baptist Bodies in this country with a membership of over 70,000. These groups of Baptist churches are now affiliated with the Northern Baptist Convention, having not only representation in the Convention as individual churches, but also recognition as Organized Bodies, through a Commission that is composed of representatives from each of the Bodies appointed by the Northern Baptist Convention.

"Deeply impressed with the magnitude and urgency of evangelizing this vast immigrant population of our country, this Commission would lay this great work upon the hearts of all Baptists and ask the churches throughout the land prayerfully to recognize the tremendous importance of reaching these millions of immigrants with the gospel and also vigorously to cooperate with the existing Missionary Societies in the prosecution of this work.

"Many churches are located in or near communities having a foreign-speaking population. The opportunity for participating directly in this great evangelizing campaign lies at their very door. To ignore these

neighbors, because they are of another race and tongue, is to be disloyal to the spirit and command of our Lord, who would have all men saved. In all of our cities there are considerable numbers of immigrants representing various nationalities, among whom nothing is being done to bring them under the influence of evangelical truth. Should the churches located in or near such communities wait for the established missionary societies to take up this work? Should they not rather themselves take the initiative and go out among these peoples with the message of salvation? The local church is the strongest evangelizing agency in any community. If conscious of its high calling and thoroughly conversant with the conditions of its specific field, and truly consecrated to the cause of the kingdom, it will seek and readily find an effective approach to these spiritually destitute portions of our population. Shall there not be a wide and willing response to the ringing call of a great need of consecrated service? We appeal to the churches to open their eyes and to behold the multitudes, to see them with the searching and sympathetic eye of the Master, so that they may be moved with compassion and be devoted to service and sacrifice, to win for the kingdom the strangers within our gates. Dr. Josiah Strong says: 'He does most to Christianize the world and to hasten the coming of the kingdom who does most to make thoroughly Christian the United States.' To make the United States 'thoroughly Christian' means above everything else to evangelize the foreign-speaking populations of our land."

It is of interest to know that two of the resolutions that were passed, that relating to the development of the training-schools and institutes and that regarding literature, have both met with gratifying response since that meeting and action has been taken to carry out the suggestions.

Regarding the training of leaders, the Home Mission Society is taking the initiative, and there is about to be launched in Chicago in a modest way a movement to furnish an opportunity for training leaders among the Slavic groups, and in Cleveland a similar arrangement for the training of Hungarian leaders. The Committee on Education, of the American Hungarian Baptist Conference, has already met with a special committee of the Cleveland Baptist City Mission Society, of Cleveland, Ohio, and organized the Hungarian Baptist Theological Seminary. The school is to be located in Cleveland; the dean is the Rev. Stephen Orosz, of Cleveland; and the opening session is fixed for September 15, 1915. There are eight students now registered. There is also being worked out a plan whereby some supervised home study can be carried on by those foreign pastors who cannot attend the schools, and institutes are being planned for the annual gathering of some of these conferences.

The Publication Society has been making a thorough study of the matter of literature; and while it is impossible to meet all the needs at once, it has made a very commendable advance in preparing some much-needed literature in several languages.

This was the first time that such a group had ever come together for a full and free discussion of these problems and the Commission felt that

its existence was amply justified and was made keenly conscious of how vital and far-reaching were the problems which they confronted.

Owing to the expense of assembling the Commission during the year, its work has of necessity been done largely through committees and by correspondence.

The following resolutions were passed at this open meeting of the Commission, and as this was held after the annual report had been presented to the Convention at Boston, they are incorporated in this report for the sake of publicity.

Regarding Training-schools

"The Commission on Foreign Bodies would request the General Board of Education to take into consideration the matter of giving assistance, both financial and moral, to the cause of ministerial training for work among the various nationalities, particularly among those for whom no schools have as yet been established. It is the sense of this Commission that the rendering of such assistance is essential to the cause of education in our denomination and vital for the success of all missionary efforts among the foreign-speaking populations of our land."

Regarding Literature

"This Commission recognizes the good work of the Commission on City Missions in calling attention to the need for literature of a missionary character for people speaking foreign languages, and would urge our most earnest plea in seconding their efforts to have the Publication Society meet this situation. In view of the crucial nature of this issue we urge upon the Finance Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention that they recognize this need and permit the Publication Society to make adequate provision for it in their budget."

Regarding Apportionments

"*Resolved,* That the Apportionment Committees, both of the Northern Baptist Convention and the State Conventions, be requested, in making apportionments to churches speaking foreign languages, to take into consideration the amount that these churches contribute to their own work for foreigners."

ORGANIZED GROUPS OF FOREIGN-SPEAKING BODIES

The General Conference of the German Baptist Churches of North America

Organized in 1865. Sessions triennially. The next gathering will take place in September, 1916, at Detroit, Mich. Present officers: Moderator, Prof. Lewis Kaiser, Rochester, N. Y.; General Corresponding Secretary, Rev. G. A. Schulte, Newark, N. J.; Field Secretary (for Sunday-school

and Young People's Work), Rev. Wm. Kuhn, Philadelphia, Pa.; Treasurer, Mr. J. A. Schulte, Philadelphia, Pa. Sectional Conferences, 9: churches, 287; membership, 31,125; pupils in Sunday-school, 26,787; baptisms (1914), 1520; ministers ordained, 1; new churches organized, 2; ministers in active service, 282. Contributions: Local objects, $374,388; outside purposes, missions, etc., $103,934 (Home Missions, $28,598; Foreign Missions, $21,401; Ministerial Training, $10,238); total, $478,322.

The Swedish Baptist General Conference of America

Organized 1879. Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Eric Scherstrom, 209 S. State St., Chicago, Ill. Churches, 322; members, 28,271; ministers, 220; baptisms, ——. Contributed for Missions, $52,518.43.

The Danish Baptist General Conference of America

Organized ——. Corresponding Secretary, Rev. August Broholm, Albert Lea, Minn.; Honorary President, Rev. H. A. Reichenbach, 416 N. Tenth St., Council Bluffs, Ia.; President, N. L. Christiansen, 3426 Grand Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.; Treasurer, Rev. J. D. Vinding, Storden, Minn. Churches, 47; members, 3772; ministers and missionaries, 50; baptisms, 202; Sunday-school enrolment, 2760. Contributed: Missions and beneficence, $13,835.07; current expenses and other items, $37,769.97.

The Norwegian Baptist Conference of America

Organized 1910. Corresponding Secretary, Rev. N. K. Larsen, Whitehall, Wis.; President, Rev. O. Breding, Logan Square Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill.; Treasurer, Rev. J. B. Sundt, 1306 Kane St., La Crosse, Wis. Churches, 39; members, 2015; baptisms, 94. Contributed (1914): Local expenses, $19,048.97; missions, $5084.76.

The Finnish Baptist Mission Union of America

Organized ——. Secretary, Rev. A. G. Stormans, Butte, Mont.; President and Editor, Rev. M. Esselstrom, 1225 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.; Vice-president, Rev. Isaac Berg, Gardner, Mass. Churches, 17; members, 580; ministers and missionaries, 15; Sunday-school enrolment, 566. Current expenses, $17,584.51. Contributions: Home and Foreign Missions, $363.95.

The French-speaking Baptist Conference of New England

Organized 1894. Secretary, Rev. A. Devos, Woonsocket, R. I.; President, Rev. P. N. Cayer, New Bedford, Mass.; Vice-president, Mr. Z. J. Rainville, Fairhaven, Mass.; Treasurer, Mr. J. Byron, Fitchburg, Mass. No organized churches among the French; 11 missionaries and stations with several outstations; 727 members in English-speaking churches; baptisms, 60. Contributed (1914): Local expenses, $2712.83; General Home Missions, $589; Foreign Missions, $16.50.

Italian Baptist Association

Organized 1898. Secretary, Rev. A. Pasciuta, New Haven, Conn.; President, Rev. A. Mangano, 18 Jackson St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Treasurer, Arturo Roca, Hartford, Conn. Churches and missions, 62; members, 1295; ministers, 59; baptisms, 305; Sunday-school enrolment, 3028. Contributed for all purposes, $6626.21.

The American Magyar (Hungarian) Baptist Union

Organized 1908. Corresponding Secretary, Rev. L. L. Zboray, 246 Rutland Road, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Recording Secretary, Rev. Lewis Stumpf, McKeesport, Pa.; President, Nicholas Dulitz, 352 E. Eighty-sixth St., New York City, N. Y.; Vice-president, Rev. Stephen Gazsi, 1070 Maplewood Ave., Bridgeport, Conn. Churches and missions, 28; members, 1018; ministers, 17; baptisms, 112.

American Baptist Slavic Union

(Polish, Bohemian, and Slovak.)

Organized 1909. Triennial meeting, 1915. Corresponding Secretary, Rev. K. W. Strelec, 955 Winchester St., Milwaukee, Wis.; President, Rev. J. Zmihal; Treasurer, Rev. Hr. Schillse.

Bohemian-Slovak Baptist Conference

Organized 1912. Secretary, Rev. Jan Kana, P. O. Box 126, Yonkers, N. Y.; President, Rev. F. Hlad, Chicago, Ill.; Vice-president, Rev. Paul Bednar, 912 College St., Cleveland, Ohio; Treasurer, Mr. J. Valastiak. Members, 836; ministers and missionaries, 18. Contributed (1914): Local expenses, $7293.17; benevolences, $215.14.

Polish Baptist Conference

Organized 1912. Secretary, Rev. Joseph Rzepecki; President, Rev. Lewis Adamus, Rochester, N. Y.; Treasurer, Rev. A. Benzdulla, Chicago, Ill. Churches and missions, 11; members, 766; ministers, 14.

Rumanian Baptist Association of America

Organized 1913. Secretary, L. A. Gredys, 225 Lake St., Akron, Ohio; President, Rev. Christian Igrisan, 916 Poplar St., Cincinnati, Ohio; Vice-president, Mr. Olie Trutza, Detroit, Mich.; Treasurer, Mr. Neag, 187 Bank St., Cincinnati, Ohio. Churches, 1; missions and groups, 18; members, 600; ministers and missionaries, 7; baptisms to date, 89.

Unorganized Groups of Foreign-speaking Baptists

Croatians, 1 mission, 25 members; Chinese, 12 missions, 209 members; Hollandish, 1 mission, 80 members; Greeks, 2 missions, 13 members; Jap-

anese, 2 missions, 73 members; Lettish, 5 missions and churches, 481 members; Portuguese, 3 missions, 227 members; Russians and Ruthenians, 8 churches and missions, 349 members; Slovenians, 1 mission, 25 members; Spanish (Mexicans in United States), 7 missions, 121 members; Syrians, 2 missions, 16 members.

The foregoing, therefore, makes approximately a total of 947 missionaries, with 72,478 members.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. HERGET, *Chairman*,
C. A. BROOKS, *Secretary*.
LEWIS KAISER,
FRANK PETERSON,
N. L. CHRISTIANSEN,
C. W. FINWALL,
MATT ESSELSTROM,
K. W. STRELEC,
ANTONIO MANGANO,
S. OROSZ,
O. BROUILLETTE,
L. C. BARNES,
MRS. KATHERINE WESTFALL,
GUY C. LAMSON,
F. P. HAGGARD.

300. On motion of Rev. J. F. Herget, of Ohio, and after discussion by Rev. M. H. Day, of Illinois, it was voted that the report be received and adopted.

301. The following report of the United Missionary Campaign Committee was presented by Secretary J. M. Moore, of New York:

Report of the United Missionary Campaign Committee

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The personnel of the Committee for the past year has been as follows: L. C. Barnes, Henry Bond, W. A. Davison, F. P. Haggard, Emory W. Hunt, Guy C. Lamson, Shailer Mathews, Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery, Frank W. Padelford, Charles H. Sears, Mrs. Katherine S. Westfall, Mornay Williams.

At its first meeting the Committee organized by electing Henry Bond chairman and John M. Moore recording and executive secretary.

In our last annual report we proposed that the work of the year should place emphasis, not simply upon the every-member canvass as the most effective method of missionary finance, but upon certain fundamental conditions of church efficiency that lie back of successful church finance, such as evangelism, social service, and missionary education. We also proposed that as far as possible, instead of conducting special conferences and institutes, the regular meetings of the associations should be employed. To this policy we have carefully adhered. Church efficiency has been our watchword and the every-member canvass has been presented, not simply as the solution of the financial problem of the church, but as a spiritual tonic and a general efficiency measure. Nearly one hundred

regular Baptist associational meetings were visited by a representative of the National Committee, and in probably as many more the ideals of the National Committee were effectively presented by the district and State secretaries.

Two men have been employed for field work—Rev. Frederick A. Agar as field secretary and Mr. Benjamin Starr as special worker, employed particularly with the view to a careful follow-up work with local churches. On account of limited funds available for committee expenses, Mr. Starr was released at the end of six months' service, and was later called by the New York State Convention to continue practically the same services among the churches of New York State.

Mr. Agar's work has been untiring and effective. During the year he traveled 54,861 miles, working in 19 States, and delivering no less than 543 sermons and addresses, not to speak of a still larger number of short talks and personal interviews. He addressed 18 Baptist ministers' conferences, assisted in 26 conferences of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, 51 meetings of Baptist associations, 35 other institutes and conferences, and one State Convention. He gave a series of lectures on church efficiency in 5 theological seminaries and training-schools and 3 summer assemblies. In addition to this extended program of general meetings, he gave direct assistance to 61 churches located in 14 States in connection with their every-member canvass, in many cases meeting the canvassers two or three times, and in some cases taking direct superintendence of the canvass itself. These churches were selected with the thought that they should in turn become centers from which the every-member canvass should be introduced into neighboring churches. An effort has been made to secure reports from all of these, but the facts are only partially available in form for tabulation. (A statement of results is submitted herewith as a supplementary report.)

The executive secretary has conducted the work at the office and assisted to some extent in the field in connection with Baptist associations and ministers' institutes. Since the executive secretary is at the same time secretary of the Department of Missionary Education, it has been possible to unify our educational and financial appeal in a way that has been to the advantage of each. The General Committee of the Department of Missionary Education has recently adopted for recommendation a method which seems to this Committee to be so definite and practical that we include it herewith as a part of our report, and ask that the Convention shall recommend it to the churches:

1. A church missionary committee.
2. The presentation of missions from the pulpit.
3. A mission-study class or classes.
4. Missionary programs.
5. The circulation of missionary literature, including a club for *Missions*.
6. A woman's missionary organization.
7. Missionary education in the Sunday-school.

8. The promotion of prayer for missions.
9. Enlistment for missionary service in local work and as a life-work.
10. An annual every-member canvass for weekly offerings.

During the coming year, beginning late in October, the Laymen's Missionary Movement will conduct a series of conventions in eighty or more of the leading cities of the United States. We believe that this series of conventions offers us a great opportunity of reaching our Baptist constituency during the latter part of the year after the meetings of our associations and State Conventions have all been held. We recommend therefore that the Convention shall express its approval of our cooperation in this great series of conventions for the enlistment of a larger number of laymen in missionary giving and service, the extension of the every-member canvass, the enlargement of the missionary vision, and the enrichment of the life of the churches. While these conventions are for men, opportunity will be given in connection with each for a denominational meeting, and to these Baptist gatherings women of our churches will be invited in order that the work of this committee may continue as heretofore to represent and further all the missionary interests of the Northern Baptist Convention.

We are planning to do a very complete piece of work in connection with this campaign. Lists are being made of all the churches within reach of each convention center. A local committee will be formed at each center to cultivate these churches in advance of the Convention in an effort to secure the attendance of all pastors and many representative laymen. They will follow up the Convention to secure the acceptance of our denominational program, and particularly the conduct of the every-member canvass in all these churches. We are proposing in all this work to use existing agents, agencies, and policies, instead of creating new ones.

To recapitulate, our recommendations to the Convention are as follows:

1. That we continue the United Missionary Campaign with special emphasis upon general church efficiency.
2. That we approve and recommend to the churches the adoption of the ten-point standard of missionary educational method.
3. That we indorse and recommend to the churches the national campaign of the Laymen's Missionary Movement providing for large denominational participation and endeavoring through these conventions to reach all our churches contiguous to these centers.

Approved by vote of the Committee in session at New York on April 16, 1915.

JOHN M. MOORE, *Secretary.*

302. On motion of Secretary J. M. Moore, of New York, the report was received and adopted.

303. On motion of Secretary J. M. Moore, of New York, and after discussion by Rev. J. W. Brougher, Rev. Galusha Anderson,

and Rev. P. C. Wright, it was voted that the following report of a Conference on Denominational Objectives be received and adopted:

Report of a Conference on Denominational Objectives

A Five-year Program

This hour in human history is critical, challenging, decisive. No church or denomination can succeed if its message and spirit are not positive, aggressive, courageous, heroic. We have a sufficient message in the gospel of the kingdom, a sufficient dynamic in the Spirit of God. We need spiritual vision, conquering intercession, evangelistic power, and social passion.

The call of the hour is for a constructive, cumulative program of advance so large and so compelling as to arrest attention, unify our forces and activities, challenge our men of large resources, and stir our whole people with a splendid enthusiasm for the kingdom of God.

The objective of this program should be the development of every church into an evangelistic and social force in its community and a resultant mighty impact of our denominational life upon the nation and the world.

We therefore recommend a five-year program of aggressive, spiritual activity with these practical goals:

1. A million additions to our churches by baptism.
2. A missionary force of five thousand men and women in America and the non-Christian world.
3. Two million dollars of endowment for the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board.
4. Six million dollars for educational endowment and equipment at home and abroad.
5. An annual income of $6,000,000 for missions and benevolence.

The methods recommended for the accomplishment of this high aim are:

1. A persistent, pervasive evangelism—personal, pastoral, and vocational.
2. The systematic and proportionate giving of not less than one-tenth of the income, with larger giving by those of large resources.
3. The annual every-member canvass for weekly giving and spiritual efficiency.
4. An increasing emphasis on education—biblical, missionary, and scholastic.
5. The development of every church in social service.
6. Prevailing prayer—personal, public, and social.

304. Rev. S. W. Cummings, of California, presented the following communication:

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 15, 1915.

Rev. S. W. Cummings, D. D., Pasadena, Cal.

DEAR DOCTOR CUMMINGS: We have the whole sum estimated for the Clough Memorial, with the exception of $3,400. This is a great victory for the kingdom of God. May I commission you to announce this to the Convention? I am entrusting this to you alone. The enclosed slip shows that, aside from the bungalow and hospital site, the $22,000 for which estimate was made is in hand in cash and pledges, with the exception of $3,400. Of this, $16,780 has been raised in this country since September 1, 1914. This is more than half the debt reported by the Society.

If you feel disposed, please make a short plea that this comparatively small sum be soon wiped out.

Yours with the best of remembrances,

JAMES M. BAKER.

305. On motion of Rev. C. D. Gray, of Illinois, it was voted,

That the prosecution of the five-year program be committed to the United Missionary Campaign Committee, the President of the Convention being instructed to enlarge the Committee as he may find necessary to make it thoroughly representative.

306. On motion of Rev. A. H. C. Morse, of Colorado, and after discussion by Rev. G. E. Burlingame, Rev. J. W. Brougher, and Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, it was resolved:

That it is the sense of this Convention that instead of retrenchment in our foreign mission work the demands for the ensuing year call for the expenditure of at least $1,000,000.

That we desire such a sum to be placed in the hands of the Foreign Mission Board for the ensuing year, and,

That we request the Finance Committee of the Convention and the Board of Managers of the Foreign Mission Society to take under advisement our wishes in this respect, and to devise ways and means by which this sum may be promptly sought, with the understanding that the increase is not a temporary addition, but a basis from which we shall make all subsequent advance.

307. Rev. J. W. Brougher renewed the effort to raise the missionary deficit.

308. At the successful completion of the effort to raise the deficit the delegates arose and sang, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

309. On motion of Rev. G. E. Burlingame, and after discussion by Henry Bond, Rev. H. J. White, Rev. P. G. Van Zandt, Rev. C. M. Gallup, Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, Rev. G. P. Mitchell, Rev. E. V. Pierce, President L. W. Riley, Rev. L. A. Crandall, D. G.

Garabrant, Mrs. J. F. Failing, Rev. E. M. Lake, Mrs. G. J. Cridland, Rev. W. H. Geistweit, Secretary A. J. Rowland, Secretary H. L. Morehouse, Rev. M. A. Levy, Mrs. H. H. Twining, Mrs. A. G. Lester, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rev. G. T. Webb, Secretary G. B. Huntington, Rev. L. L. Henson, Rev. H. S. Johnson, Mrs. H. N. Jones, F. C. Nickels, Rev. W. K. Towner, and Secretary J. M. Moore, it was resolved that the Convention request its Finance Committee to increase the amount allotted to the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society by $100,000.

310. On motion of Rev. J. F. Vichert, of Rhode Island, it was voted that the following report of the Committee on Order of Business be adopted:

WEDNESDAY, May 26

Twenty-first Session

9.00 Northern Baptist Convention. Business Session.
Report of the Delegates to the Federal Council.
Report of the Committee on Transportation.
10.00 Report of the Committee on Resolutions.
11.00 Order as set for Tuesday, May 25, at 11 a. m.

311. On motion the Convention adjourned, after prayer by Secretary L. C. Barnes, to meet Wednesday, May 26, at 9 a. m.

NINETEENTH SESSION, *Tuesday, May 25, 2 P. M.*

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

312. The Society was called to order by President Mrs. W. A. Montgomery.

313. Mrs. C. W. Gale, of Connecticut, read the Scripture.

314. Mrs. G. B. Germond, of Connecticut, offered prayer.

315. Messages from the foreign field were brought by Miss Clara Converse, of Japan; Miss Koku Otani, of Japan; Miss Eva Price, of Burma; Mrs. Henry Topping, of Japan; Mrs. W. T. Elmore, of India.

316. Vice-president Mrs. Andrew MacLeish introduced the following national officers of the Society: Mrs. John E. Scott; Mrs. T. E. Adams; Miss E. D. MacLaurin; Miss Eleanor Mare; Miss N. G. Prescott; Miss F. K. Burr; Miss R. T. Weyburn; Miss Inga Petterson.



SECRETARY ADONIRAM JUDSON ROWLAND

Who has completed twenty years of service as Secretary
of the American Baptist Publication Society

317. Miss E. D. MacLaurin, of Illinois, introduced the State Secretaries of the Society.

318. Mrs. W. A. Farmer and Mrs. T. E. Adams spoke briefly of the literature of the Society.

319. Mrs. E. Y. Van Meter, of California, was introduced, and addressed the meeting.

320. Reports were made by representatives from each district.

321. President Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, of New York, addressed the Society upon "On the King's Highway."

322. The following report of the tellers for the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society was presented: Total number of ballots, 361; for the ballot as presented, 359; scattering, 2.

323. On motion, and after prayer by Rev. P. C. Wright, of Pennsylvania, the Society adjourned.

TWENTIETH SESSION, *Tuesday, May 25, 8 P. M.*

American Baptist Publication Society

324. The Society was called to order by President J. W. Brougher.

325. Rev. W. H. Geistweit, of California, offered prayer.

326. The following report of the tellers was presented by Rev. J. N. Field, of California: Total number of ballots cast, 402; number for the nominees, 395; scattering ballots, 7.

327. President J. W. Brougher delivered the President's address.

328. President J. W. Brougher introduced Rev. C. H. Jones, of Washington, who, on behalf of the Presidents of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and the American Baptist Publication Society, presented Secretary A. J. Rowland a bouquet of roses, and tendered to him congratulations upon the completion of twenty years of service to the Society.

329. Secretary A. J. Rowland responded appropriately.

330. The annual report of the Board was presented by Secretary A. J. Rowland.

331. On motion of Secretary A. J. Rowland it was voted that the report be received, and that final action upon it be postponed until the twenty-second session on Wednesday, May 26.

332. Secretary A. J. Rowland addressed the Society upon "Two Decades."

333. Rev. Cortland Myers, of Massachusetts, addressed the Society.

334. On motion, and after prayer by Prof. J. W. Johnson, of California, the Society adjourned to meet Wednesday, May 26, at 2 p. m.

TWENTY-FIRST SESSION, *Wednesday, May 26, 9 A. M.*

Northern Baptist Convention

335. The Convention was called to order by President E. S. Clinch.

336. Rev. R. L. Kelley, of South Dakota, offered prayer.

337. The minutes of the Convention (Items 277-334 inclusive) were read and approved.

338. The following report of the Delegates to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America was presented by Rev. H. B. Grose, of Massachusetts:

Report of the Delegates to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America presents its greetings to the Northern Baptist Convention, together with its report and the report of your own delegates.

Every year adds new emphasis to the practical service of the Council, in which thirty families of Christ's disciples move forward as one for the advancing of the kingdom of our God and Saviour.

The Executive Committee held its annual meeting in Richmond, Va., December 8-11. Our most efficient colaborer, the Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, was elected the General Secretary, a worthy tribute to a faithful man. The reports of the Commissions brought great encouragement. The Commissions on Evangelism and Christian Education, Missionary Work at Home and Abroad, Social Service, Family Life, Temperance, Sunday Observance, Peace and Arbitration, State and Local Federations—one and

all had made notable progress in the solving of problems presented and the completion of plans for the greater good of the whole country. The Temperance Commission has inaugurated a pledge-signing campaign and recommends that Sunday, July 4th, be observed as Patriotic Temperance Sunday. A committee of twenty was formed for the special consideration of the needs and interests of the colored people. The Committee of One Hundred on the Panama and Pacific Exposition emphasized the worth of efforts made for effective Christian cooperation, but gave us little hope, however, of proper moral restraints in the city of San Francisco.

Two new Commissions were authorized, on Rural Life Conditions, and on Interdenominational Movements; the latter is in response to many appeals. Through this Commission it is hoped that the Sunday-school Associations, the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, the Laymen's Missionary and other movements, brotherhoods, Young People's Societies, and other similar organizations will come into more intimate relations, and a Conference is called for June 3 and 4 at Atlantic City to complete the plan. The Rev. Ray B. Guild was elected an Associate Secretary with special relation to this Commission, and the Rev. Charles O. Gill was elected Secretary of the Commission on Rural Life Conditions. The salaries of both these men are subscribed for some years, so that there will be no additional burden laid upon our regular treasury.

What was expected to have been a great ecumenical gathering for peace and arbitration at Constance, Germany, in August, was so disarranged by the war that only twenty-five Americans reached the city. On August 2nd they had a day of most remarkable meetings, and then another in London on the 5th. The results of the effort, which may seem so slight now, will be seen to be of great benefit to the world when we come to the end of this frightful conflict.

Labor Sunday, Peace Sunday, as the anniversary of the signing of the treaty at Ghent, the Day of Prayer, in October, called by President Wilson, were very generally observed, the latter awakening no small interest in Europe and Asia.

Associate Secretary Dr. Henry K. Carroll has been quietly but effectively guiding the presentation of united Christian interests in Washington, ably assisted by the Advisory Committee. He reports that despite congressional [illegible] made years ago, money is given each year to sectarian institutions in the District of Columbia, one alone having received over half a million dollars within a few years, and that all these institutions belong to one church and are tabulated in the directory of the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The people of Washington have no power to put down such wrongs, but the people of the nation can and should put an end to such flagrant violations of law and honor.

The outstanding work of the year was the sending of an embassy to Japan. President Shailer Mathews and Professor Gulick have had a most wonderful campaign of education and inspiration in Japan. They have

spoken from three to five times a day before every form of educational and social organization, having been received not only by colleges, universities, merchants, and clubs, but also by some of the principal officials and statesmen. President Mathews, as keen as he is balanced, seems to have surpassed himself in his influence over all with whom he came into contact. The worth of this embassy to both nations cannot be overestimated and is sure to be of permanent value in political as well as in religious history. The Rev. John L. Dearing has this to say of the work done: "That the Federal Council should so recognize the churches of Japan as to send to them such a representative as a fraternal delegate is having an unexpected indirect influence in bringing to the front this organization which many have perhaps hardly appreciated. But the grand effect of his visit cannot be easily measured, as one is continually, even in these first days, coming against unexpected and happy results. The churches of America who sent forth such a man with the splendid backing of such a Christian constituency can hardly appreciate its significance here. It is a very different effect from that produced by the visit of a man who comes representing some one denomination, however great may be that denomination in the eyes of Americans. It is a great contribution that he is making toward a return to the old, happy relations between the two nations and the impetus to Christian faith cannot be calculated." The special Committee on Relations with Japan has held a number of meetings during the year and naturally is very happy in the report Messrs. Mathews and Gulick have been able to bring back to it.

A larger amount of literature than ever before has been sent out and a number of most important books have been issued. It is a part of our rejoicing also that the Secretary of our delegation, in the face of marked competition, has carried off the prize for a work on Christian unity, entitled, "The Union of Christian Forces in America," that is destined to bring new honor not only to him but to all our Baptist people.

The significance of this Federal Council service for our Baptist hosts may well be emphasized. We are in just the position to lead in cooperative efforts such as this, for seldom have the greater principles for which we have stood in all our history been recognized so largely and so heartily as they are in the Federal Council. The absolute independence of each participating denomination, the recognition of the three great elements—liberty, sanctity, and unity—in the personal and in the associated Christian life is more and more clear, and the quiet growth of principles we have regarded as peculiarly our own is manifest at every gathering. Looking forward to a year of enlarged usefulness, and in the hope of being able to report a more marked advance in all our service, we submit to your consideration our recital of some things accomplished the past year.

We recommend that your delegates be reappointed for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted for the delegates,

ALBERT G. LAWSON, *Chairman.*

339. On motion of Rev. C. A. Wooddy, of Oregon, it was voted that the report be received and adopted.

340. On motion of Secretary M. A. Levy, of New York, it was voted that the Convention Sermon, delivered by Rev. C. H. Jones, of Washington, be printed in the minutes.

341. On motion of Secretary M. A. Levy, of New York, it was voted that the President's message, delivered at the opening session of the Convention, be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

342. President E. S. Clinch presented the following communication:

DODGE CITY, KANS., May 25, 1915.

Hon. E. S. Clinch, Hotel Alexandria, Los Angeles:

Deeply grateful for the honor done me by the Convention. Promise my best service to the denomination. SHAILER MATHEWS.

343. The following report of the Committee on Reports of Cooperating Organizations was submitted by Rev. C. A. Wooddy, of Oregon, and read by Rev. J. H. Beaven, of Washington:

Report of Committee on Reports of Cooperating Organizations

To the Northern Baptist Convention:

Your Committee on "Reports of Cooperating Societies" of the Northern Baptist Convention herewith submits its annual report. This Committee consists of one delegate from each state comprising the Northern Baptist Convention, selected by the delegation from that state present at the last annual meeting of this Convention. A meeting of the full Committee at Boston last year was impossible, owing to previously imposed duties which demanded their attention and time. The wide distribution of the membership has made it impossible for the Committee as a whole to meet during the year, to facilitate the work of the Committee which, however, met and organized in Boston with subcommittees to consider the report of each of the cooperating Societies. The report as submitted represents a vast amount of careful and thorough work done by these subcommittees, but is presented as amended by the whole Committee. Each member of the entire Committee accepted his appointment to the subcommittee to which he was assigned, and many of them spent a considerable amount of time in personal investigation and work.

FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

During the year it came to light that there exists a considerable lack of information as to the functions of this Committee. Information was sought by correspondence from the officers of the cooperating Societies, and some of the subcommittees report receiving replies, using substantially this

language: "While I consider that this matter is entirely outside the scope of your report," etc., etc. It seemed desirable therefore to secure a statement of the functions of this Committee from the President of the Convention and Chairman of the Law Committee, and from the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, who has served throughout the history of its development. Combining information secured from these sources and from the By-Laws of the Convention, it appears that the Committee was originally created in Oklahoma City in 1908, the records of which appear on pages 36 and 37 of the minutes of that Convention. The judgment of the Convention was expressed in By-Law III. This By-Law was in force until the meeting of the Convention in 1910, at which time the Law Committee reported By-Laws for the Convention, including therein provision for a Committee on Reports (Annual 1910, p. 7, section IV). At the meeting of the Convention in Philadelphia, the By-Laws of the unincorporated Convention were adopted as the By-Laws of the incorporated Convention (Annual, 1911, pp. 44. 45, item 4). The duties of the Committee on Reports have not been more specifically defined than in the By-Law mentioned. This Committee was intended to be the point of contact between the Convention and its cooperating organizations. That it might have the fullest freedom, it was not deemed wise to limit its functions by any definition of its duties. The organization of the Northern Baptist Convention was an effort to transfer from the cooperating Societies back to the churches the primary responsibility for the missionary tasks of the denomination. That is where the New Testament puts it. This Committee, by appointment of the Northern Baptist Convention, is the agency through which the churches convey their wishes and directions to the cooperating Societies.

One of the objects of the Convention is "to give expression to the opinions of its constituency upon moral, religious, and denominational matters; and to promote denominational unity and efficiency in efforts for the evangelization of the world." The Chairman of the Law Committee suggests that if the report of cooperating organizations raises any question of policy or of administration, including relations between cooperating organizations, or the Convention, or any matter of denominational interest, it is within the province of the Committee to report thereon. There is no expressed limitation of the scope of the report. It not only considers what is printed in the annual reports of the cooperating Societies for any given year, but it may review a series of annual reports, in order to discover drifts and tendencies in the work of cooperating organizations. It may also take into account all the official utterances of cooperating organizations as disclosed in their printed literature, or official communications to the press, or other utterances of the Societies that may be regarded as official.

Our report upon the work of the cooperating Societies will be submitted in the order in which they present their work at this Convention.

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

IN GENERAL

The 101st annual report of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society immediately makes prominent three facts. (1) The work is vast: eleven mission fields, eight countries, with a steadily increasing number of churches, and ten thousand baptisms a year. (2) The support of this work by our churches is seriously inadequate. (3) All these fields are insufficiently manned and sustained.

The first fact calls for gratitude and praise; the others for humiliation and correction. We cannot believe the Master has misjudged the ability of our denomination, and it therefore becomes our serious duty to discover how we can victoriously push the fight along our far-flung battle-lines.

To secure a more adequate support in the home field for this great undertaking we would emphasize the following suggestions in the report:

1. *Field Administration.* Pages 57 ff. of the report outline a method of greatly extending the present plans of field administration, by which the work in the eleven mission fields under the care of the Society may be organized so that the administration of field details shall rest with the missionaries themselves. The Board should be encouraged to continue the development of this plan. The missionaries should be willing to accept these burdens, thus relieving the Board of these cares, and at the same time developing a spirit of self-administration in the various fields.

2. *The Intensive Policy.* The application of the intensive principle which has been adopted for the foreign field should be applied to the cultivation of the home field. This policy has been approved by the denomination. Our missionary presentation needs more of the personal and specific appeal. The various slogans in use among us in recent years, such as "Ten cents per week per member," "Three Million Dollar Campaign," "Raise the budget," "Pay the debts," and such like, have little of the personal element, and have a tendency to make our giving mechanical. Persistent effort should be made to develop a more intimate personal relationship between our givers and our churches and the work and workers abroad. We have to-day missionaries as able as Judson, Boardman, Ashmore, and Jewett. They should be known by our churches, which on the other hand should be linked up vitally with them and their work; and this is a task which the Board of Managers must seek to accomplish.

3. *Specifics.* We wish to commend to the Board for adoption, as "specifics within the budget," such items in the treasurer's report as pensions to retired missionaries, the support of widows of missionaries, salaries of missionaries on furlough, outfits and passage of new missionaries, support of homes for missionaries' children. We believe that many of these items are of such character as to make special appeal to the constituency of the Society. And since they are absolutely necessary items of expense, they might well become objects for specific contributions, and thus be transferred from the home expense item of the Society's work to the

level of active missionary effort. In this connection we give expression to the hope that the funds of the Ministers' and Missionaries' Benefit Board may soon be sufficient to relieve the Society of the support of disabled and retired missionaries and their children.

MINOR MATTERS

The Handbook. The Committee would express its very great appreciation of the literature printed by the Foreign Society. The Judson Centennial literature has proved exceedingly valuable and the Committee is delighted with the educational plan for our Sunday-schools and believe it is being pushed in a splendid way, and approve the cooperation of the Woman's Society with the General Society in this matter. We recommend that an effort be made to place the handbook in the hands of every pastor, and approve of issuing it in the fall. The arrangement by which churches can secure and use the stereopticon slides of our mission stations should be given greater emphasis. The booklets on each station are valuable and contain material for about fifteen instructive Sunday-evening and midweek talks. The Northern Baptist Convention should appreciatively commend these items.

Board Meetings. It may not be known that the Board meetings of the Foreign Society are open to Baptists generally. We believe that attendance should be encouraged to the end that greater confidence may result in the conduct of our mutual task.

The Relation of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society to the Foreign Missions Conference and the Rockefeller Foundation. Your Committee has conferred with the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society fully, as we believe, upon the essential facts which need to be known for a proper judgment to be formed upon its relation to the Foreign Missions Conference and to the Rockefeller Foundation. Our investigation leads us to approve the attitude of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, and we commend it in the matter to the confidence of the Northern Baptist Convention, believing that the relation sustained is in no way harmful to us and is advantageous to the kingdom of God.

Cooperation with the Woman's Society. We call special attention to the paragraph on page 35 concerning cooperation with the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. The intimacy of the two organizations in the practical administration of the work on the foreign field and in the formation of a permanent joint council for the purpose of considering together matters of mutual interest, we trust are prophecies of still more intimate relationships, which shall at last blend into such intimacy that the lines of distinction cannot be discovered, and thus illustrate to the two Home Mission organizations the efficiency and the joy of walking no more apart.

Your Committee has read with care the paragraphs of the Society's report on Home Expenses, which are to be found on pages 241 ff. We are sure that double the income could be collected with the present machinery

at no increased expense. The percentage of overhead expenses in this way could be reduced by half. The reduction of the percentage of home expenses rests with the churches quite as much as with the Board. It is the Board's business to supply an efficient leadership. It is the church's business to follow it with devotion. What the Society needs is hearty cooperation and a multiplied enlistment of our churches in a vigorous and enlarged program of work. Let us try cooperation and increased giving, and see if they do not afford a panacea for all difficulties.

American Baptist Home Mission Society

The eighty-third annual report of the American Baptist Home Mission Society records results calling for thanksgiving. Notwithstanding a heavy indebtedness, and the disturbed conditions in the financial world, the Society has closed its books with a small balance in the hands of its treasurer. This has been accomplished, not by a policy of retrenchment, but by an efficient administration, and by the cooperation of a great constituency, which believes in the Society and in the importance of its work.

With a field continental in its scope, a population drawn from every quarter of the earth to be evangelized, the most diverse conditions to be grappled with, and the danger of a deficiency always to be considered, the direction of the affairs of the Home Mission Society calls for executive ability of a very high order, and the denomination is to be congratulated upon the character of the men whose leadership, the past year, has made possible this very gratifying report.

The scope and the methods of the Society's missionary work are so imperfectly understood, that it has felt it wise to submit a restatement concerning these matters to its constituency. We call particular attention to this statement, which appears on pages 23 and 24 of the printed report.

We note, with satisfaction, the adaptation of the Society's methods to new conditions, its recognition of strategic centers, and planting churches therein equipped with adequate meeting-places. The church edifice department is most important. During the thirty-four years since this department was organized 2572 churches have been aided with appropriations amounting to more than a million dollars. To meet the needs of a constantly enlarging field much larger sums must be available each year.

Substantial progress has been made in Cuba and Porto Rico. The investment of men and money in these important fields is yielding large returns. Mexico, disturbed by civil war, and with life and property endangered, has presented a most difficult problem. It is gratifying to learn that, though some of our missionaries have been obliged to return home, and plans for the enlargement of the work have been necessarily deferred, the ground which our workers have gained by years of toil and sacrifice has not been lost. We direct attention with our most hearty approval to Appendices A and B of the report, in which are set forth details of plans for future work in Mexico.

Attention is called to the section referring to evangelism, with a view to expressing gratitude that such a vast amount of evangelistic work is being carried forward under present conditions, and to suggest that at the earliest date possible the Society shall establish a department of evangelism, with a leader or secretary in charge.

A full statement of the relation of the Society to Oklahoma appears in the report. (See Appendix C on page 53 ff.) We commend a careful reading of the same to every member of this Convention.

Negro schools in the South have been for years a most valuable agency in race development, and under present conditions this work must be continued. One-fourth of the Negroes of America are Baptists, and this imposes upon us a grave and continuing responsibility. What has been accomplished inspires us to continue this work.

One of the greatest problems confronting the Society arises from the presence of a foreign population, from almost every nation. Workers familiar with the language of these people are indispensable. The securing and training of Christian leaders for these races are among the Society's most urgent tasks. The appointment of Rev. Chas. A. Brooks, of Cleveland, Ohio, as Superintendent of work among these foreign-speaking people, and of Rev. Gilbert N. Brink, as Superintendent of all the educational work of the Society, in our judgment is one of the most important and commendable forward steps taken by the Society during recent years.

Pages 23 to 26 of the printed report contain a review and summary of the Society's work in the West, which is of unusual value. A reading of the same will disclose an imperative necessity for enlarging the work being done by the Society in the West. The fruitage from the work already done adds emphasis to the necessity and importance of further enlargement. We believe the claims of the great West should receive first consideration, not only because of the immediate needs, but also because of the prompt and large returns from such investments.

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

Notwithstanding the small debt reported, we congratulate the Society on the fine success of the year.

We commend most highly the effective printed material which the Society is issuing. The tastefulness of the annual report, the brevity of the Secretary's report, and the large space given to reports of the work and workers, are features to be highly commended. The picture presented in these reports of a great panorama of diversified work under most divergent circumstances is inspiring and cheering.

The departure of the Society in entrusting the direction of the Training School to a highly trained man has justified itself, and the school only needs larger resources in the way of permanent endowments in order to much more largely, but not more efficiently, serve the entire denomination.

The Committee on Reports has hitherto commended to the favorable consideration of the Society an effort to secure an adequate endowment, and the present members of this Committee renew the suggestion and commend such a movement to the denomination, as well as to the Society. The need in the denomination for trained women, not alone in field missionary work such as that most largely being done under the auspices of the Society, but also as leaders in organized classes in Sunday-schools, pastor's assistants, city missionares, and in a wide variety of other important work, really makes imperative a larger output from the Training School than is now possible. We rejoice with the Society in the recommendation of the Education Committee to this Convention and its action thereon.

The readiness of the administrative management of the Society for cooperation with other agencies has been marked and most satisfactory. Reference is made in the report on the work of the American Baptist Home Mission Society to a notable case in the work in Mexico. Relations to State and City Mission Societies illustrate other phases of readiness for such cooperation. We would specially suggest, however, to the Board and Secretaries of the Society a further and fuller development of plans of cooperative work with and under direction of the various State Conventions.

We would encourage the Secretaries, both General and District, to engage in a vigorous and year-long effort to greatly enlarge the membership of the circles, and also to secure from the circles the adoption of monthly remittance of contributions to the treasury of the Society.

Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

The Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society has just finished its first year since the amalgamation of the Woman's Foreign Society of the East and the Woman's Foreign Society of the West into this new organization. The past year, therefore, has been the first in which this Society has been one of the cooperating organizations of the Northern Baptist Convention. After the aforesaid amalgamation the entire territory of the Northern Baptist Convention was divided for the purpose of the Society into ten districts, to each of which was committed the responsibility of promoting interest and raising funds for the support of the work on definite fields and for definite missionaries. The plan has had marked success. Not only have the amounts apportioned to these districts been raised in most cases, but they have been exceeded in some; and the entire indebtedness of the Society will hardly reach $5000, as of April 1st. We direct special attention to that section of the treasurer's report, beginning on page 73, setting forth a statement of apportionments and receipts by districts. It is an illuminating group of figures, and will repay not only careful reading, but a considerable amount of reflection thereon. This amount, it is expected, will speedily be raised. The attend-

ance of the women at each of the district conventions has averaged almost as many as at the regular annual meetings of the two previously separate Societies. It is of further interest and importance in this connection to note that in those districts where the prayer cycle of the Society was used most faithfully, the funds required were most easily and largely raised.

On the foreign field there have been numerous signs for encouragement, in spite of the limitations imposed by the great war. The most conspicuous of these is the establishment of a Union College for young women in Madras, in which eleven boards of women's missionary societies are cooperating. This is the first college for women in Asia. Another of like kind is about to be established in Nanking, China.

There has been an increase of about 5% in the amount of the budget during the year. Plans are now under consideration looking toward the establishment of a stronger financial working basis for the Society during the coming year.

On page 67 of the report, attention is directed toward the future, under such heads as "Our slogan, our challenge, our plan, and our objective." This last is set forth as follows:

(1) Ten new missionaries.
(2) $331,342.
(3) 10,000 women added to the circles.
(4) 10,000 missionary intercessors to join our prayer league.

We would suggest to the Society that their objective is insufficient. A hand needs a thumb, as well as four fingers; and the four fingers of this objective reaching out toward the future need a thumb, that the desired future may be grasped and held. The Committee therefore suggests the fifth element of this desirable objective, namely,

(5) 10,000 new subscribers to "Missions."

It may be said without qualification, that the new plan of administration and the first year of its operation have resulted in very gratifying success.

American Baptist Publication Society

The 91st annual report indicates that the American Baptist Publication Society has worked during the year along its usual lines. In all its departments there has been faithful work, and in some there have been unusual activity and success.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

The Publishing Department shows a decrease in receipts over the preceding year of $25,811.97. This is undoubtedly due to the general business depression. The Publishing Department transferred $45,139.51 to the Missionary Department, as compared with $43,140.31 in 1914, $24,049.02 in 1913, and $27,152.61 in 1912.

MISSIONARY AND BIBLE DEPARTMENT

The Missionary and Bible Department has had one of the busiest, as well as one of the best, years of its history. The Secretary, the District Superintendents, the Directors of Sunday-school and Young People's work, the men in charge of the chapel cars and gospel cruisers, the colporters and missionaries of the Society, have been busy people.

Perhaps the most signal success of this department has been on its financial side. The Society not only closed the year without debt, but added during the year over $200,000 in cash and pledges to its permanent funds, raising them well above the million mark. This is a cause for congratulation to those who have achieved this notable success.

There are four points touched upon in the report of this department that call for special consideration:

1. *The Vacation Bible-school Work.* This phase of denominational activity is undoubtedly of coming importance. While it belongs legitimately, if not necessarily, to the work of city mission societies or local churches, it relates itself in a general way to the educational work of the Society, and we approve the action of the Society in assigning its Sunday-school Directors to a study of the work and the development of efficient plans for such work. We believe that one of the primary needs of this movement will be that of suitable literature, and would suggest to the Society the importance of an early provision of literature for these schools. In the matter of the Society's suggestion that a special item should be added to its budget for this work, we are of the opinion that the whole matter of budget increase for whatever purpose, belongs to the Finance Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention, and should be passed upon by that Committee in connection with increases asked for by other cooperating Societies, in view of pressing needs for enlargement in their work.

2. *Colportage Work in Chili.* In the first paragraph on page 27 the report says, "We have been compelled to carry since July the colportage work which was undertaken in Chili by our Mexican brethren. It is likely that we may have to carry for a time a similar work in that country which has heretofore been provided for by our English Baptist brethren." In view of what might be the final outcome, and believing that the denomination should pass upon the matter, before it becomes a permanent field of the Society, your Committee suggests that this work in Chili be considered strictly temporary.

3. *Papers for Foreign-speaking Baptists.* There can be do doubt about the value of religious papers among our foreign-speaking brethren. It is equally apparent that it would be easy to waste a large amount of money in an enterprise of this sort. As the report suggests, the problem is too large for any one society. Is it not too large for any one denomination? It would seem to your committee that conference and cooperation with other denominations would be advisable in the handling of this matter.

Advice should also be secured from the committee on work among foreign-speaking people before any new printing is done.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

President Faunce, of Brown University, has said, "No strong and enduring people ever yet existed without definite and continuous work in religious education." If this be true, the work committed to the educational department of the Society is of the greatest importance.

We would commend especially the work that the department is doing to make the Sunday-school more efficient. The work of the State Director is in the right direction. The holding of institutes and the promotion of teacher-training are also to be encouraged. There is room for the best efforts of the department in this direction. And we would suggest whether the Society should not insist hereafter in its appointment of such workers that they must have taken special courses in pedagogy and psychology.

We would commend also the beginning which the department is making in an effort to find some way to supplement the work of the Sunday-school. If the Sunday-school were doing all in its power, there would still be need for definite and continuous work in religious education. We note with pleasure, therefore, that the department is studying the "Gary plan," and would urge that it look still more carefully into all ideas being developed in this direction.

The most outstanding need in the educational work within the local churches, is that all departments involving educational methods and activities should be correlated, so that the entire educational program of the church may be unified and intensified. We suggest therefore careful and continuous consultation and planning between the educational department of the Society and the department of missionary education of the Northern Baptist Convention.

REV. A. J. ROWLAND, D. D.

The Committee congratulates the Society, and in particular its General Secretary, Rev. A. J. Rowland, D. D., on his completion of two decades of valued service with the Society. Few men have so long continued an opportunity for such significant service, or so ably and devotedly given themselves to the continuous service of one of our great Societies. We commend him to the gracious and loving care of the great Head of the [illegible]

General Closing Remarks

LEGACIES AND ANNUITIES

Several of the subcommittees have given special study to the matter of the disposition by the various Societies of legacies and maturing annuities. The disposition of some of these is fixed by the expressed wish of

the donors. The Committee has thought best not to make recommendations to the various cooperating Societies individually or in detail upon this matter, but rather to suggest that in our judgment the Societies themselves in cooperation with the Finance Committee should continue the study of this important practical matter, with a view to reaching uniformity in the methods used by each of the Societies, with a view to securing on the one hand a steady building-up of permanent funds, and on the other of avoiding fluctuation in annual income as much as possible, by the wise use of funds from these sources.

MORE WORK AND LESS CRITICISM

The Committee comes to the close of its report upon this great field of religious effort, with a sense of gratitude that it has been called to this task of examination and investigation. No member of it hereafter can be indifferent to the work being carried forward under the auspices of the Northern Baptist Convention. It is vast in its extent and its relation to the salvation of men and nations throughout the world. It has enlisted the service, even the surrender, of the choicest spirits among us to forward a work which lies near the heart of Christ. His presence and his reward belong to them. While some matters of detail in our methods yet remain to be adjusted, the greatest need is that of the entire enlistment of the whole denomination in carrying forward the tasks themselves. The repair shop for the denomination is in good working order, and does not require the attention of a great host of idle spectators. Proper repairs will be made to the machinery by those appointed for that purpose. Let the laborers direct their attention to the harvest that waits.

Submitted for the Committee,

C. A. Wooddy, *Chairman*,
Joseph H. Beaven, *Secretary*.

344. Rev. C. A. Wooddy, of Oregon, moved that the report be received and adopted.

345. President E. S. Clinch called the attention of the Convention to actions recorded in Items 170, 172, 174, 176-178, 227, and 228.

346. The motion was discussed by Secretary G. C. Lamson, Rev. J. H. Beaven, Rev. C. H. Sears, Rev. E. F. Merriam, Rev. C. A. Wooddy, Rev. M. H. Day, and Rev. P. C. Wright.

347. On motion of Rev. H. W. Smith, of Pennsylvania, and after discussion by Rev. P. C. Wright, Rev. C. M..Gallup, Secretary L. C. Barnes, Rev. J. H. Beaven, Rev. G. R. Richards, Rev.

A. J. Rowland, Rev. C. A. Wooddy, W. W. Harrah, and Rev. L. A. Crandall, the previous question having been called for by Prof. R. H. Tripp, it was voted,

That the report be amended by striking out in paragraph (1) the section beginning with the words "in the matter" to the end of the paragraph, and the substitution of the following suggestion, introduced by Rev. J. F. Vichert, of Rhode Island: "That we view with favor the Society's suggestion that a special item should be added to its budget for this work, and commend the suggestion to the Finance Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention for favorable action."

348. Thereupon it was voted to receive and adopt the report as amended.

349. On motion of Rev. C. H. Sears, of New York, it was voted that the report of the Committee on City Mission Problems be taken from the table.

350. The motion recorded in Item 172 was withdrawn from the report by unanimous consent, the motion being covered by the action recorded in Item 347.

351. Thereupon the motion recorded in Item 170 was voted.

352. On motion of Rev. C. H. Sears, of New York, it was voted that the motions recorded in Items 176, 177 be taken from the table.

353. The motion contained in Item 177 was withdrawn upon the suggestion of Rev. C. H. Sears, of New York, that paragraph (b) of section 8 read "that in its discretion each Association."

354. The motion to adopt was voted.

355. On motion of Secretary A. J. Rowland it was voted that the report of the Committee on Social Service be taken from the table.

356. Thereupon the motion recorded in Item 227 was voted.

357. Rev. G. T. Webb, of Pennsylvania, presented the John C. Sayre prize offered by the Social Service Commission for the best essay on "The Anti-alcohol Movement in Europe," to Mr. M. G. Hindus, of Colgate University.

358. In the absence of Mr. M. G. Hindus, Prof. F. C. Ewart, of New York, received the prize and responded appropriately.

359. On motion of Dr. J. A. Bennett, of New York, it was voted that the memorial to the late Prof. C. R. Henderson as presented in the report of the Social Service Commission be received and adopted. (See page 185.)

360. The following report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Rev. H. B. Grose, of Massachusetts:

Report of the Committee on Resolutions

Your Committee on Resolutions would preface its report with the statement that various resolutions submitted to us, which we deemed outside of our province, we have passed on to the organizations directly concerned.

We report as follows:

I

Believing that the churches of Christ should be the foremost advocates and promoters of world peace, we declare our conviction that all issues arising between nations should be settled by arbitration, and that the ideal goal of a World Peace Federation is both possible and practicable. The European war has only emphasized the necessity of educating our people concerning the evils of militarism, the delusion of armaments as a protection against war, the Christian attitude toward war and peace, and the policy of universal arbitration as the only hope of lasting peace and advancing civilization. Christianity should also demonstrate the truth that in her vast reformatory tasks peace has her challenges to moral and spiritual heroism, perhaps less renowned, but far nobler than war. We urge pastors and churches diligently and persistently to set about this essential work of eradicating the false ideas of military glory inbred and exalted for generations, and of supplanting them with the teachings of Jesus Christ, learning from him that it is better to give justice than to demand rights, and true honor is to be found only in righteousness.

We heartily indorse the stand taken by the President of the United States for neutrality, and his counsels to the people to hold their opinions and passions in control, in order that our country may expect a powerful influence for good when the time comes to offer its helpful services to the warring nations. We believe this to be consonant with the utterance of the strongest possible protest, in the name of God and humankind, against all methods of warfare which are in violation of international law and of the higher law of humanity. We therefore approve the action of the President in voicing the protest of the nation, and in maintaining the rights of neutrals and the established standards of international law as against a reversal to savagery.

We are profoundly grateful to God that in this critical period our nation has at its head a lover of peace with justice and righteousness. We earnestly hope and will continually pray that his efforts to maintain

peaceful relations with all other nations may be successful; and we pledge him our sympathy and support in the discharge of his arduous duties.

II

We hail with profound gratitude the extraordinary advances in the cause of temperance. From the beginnings in Maine and Kansas a third of a century ago agitation and legislation have gone forward, until now fourteen of our commonwealths have State-wide prohibition and a vast number of counties are dry by local option. Not only has the territory been greatly increased, but enforcement is increasingly effective. Business demands that men be sober at their work; public sentiment requires that temptations be reduced to the minimum; and society is adjusting itself to its new conditions.

Our country is not alone in these advances. The whole world is taking a new inventory of the liquor traffic and pronouncing against it. Moral arguments are sustained by the findings of science, the demands of industry, and in recent months by the awful experiences of war. The action of Russia in banishing vodka, of France in prohibiting strong liquors, and of England in restricting drink, are among the most staggering blows ever struck against this common foe of man. The Russian Minister of Finance makes this remarkable statement:

> It is difficult for foreigners to realize how vast are Russia's economic resources, and how much greater they have become since the promulgation by his Majesty of that humanitarian law, which, I may add, is felt by the Russian people themselves, not as a restriction, but as an inestimable boon conferred upon them by their provident monarch. I can assure you that the productivity of every class of workman in Russia, whether we examine those engaged in agricultural or industrial pursuits, has already risen by from thirty to fifty per cent.

The change of public sentiment is so great that many breweries have gone out of business, and the liquor interests are unquestionably alarmed. One of the leading hotels in Chicago promptly announced its acquiescence in the new law closing saloons on Sunday, and its owner is quoted as saying: "Prohibition is on its way in the United States. This hotel is prepared to meet it gracefully and not combatively. When the hotel was planned we recognized that prohibition was bound to come, and planned our bar arrangements accordingly, so needed changes may be easily made when prohibition arrives."

While we rejoice in these tremendous gains, we remind ourselves and others that the battle is not nearly won. Our country is expending two and one-half billions annually for drink. Worse than this enormous waste of money is the prodigious loss of energy, the despoiling of homes, the undermining of character, and the imperiling of national stability and honor. We call upon our Baptist hosts everywhere to press with increasing vigor a confident, determined campaign. We must not be satisfied until this destroyer is itself destroyed, and our land is delivered from the power of the drink traffic. National prohibition is our next and logical

goal, and it can be quickly reached by the united, persistent effort of our Christian citizenship. We urge that Baptists do their full share in this noble work.

III

We rejoice in the gifts of $250,000 to the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Fund, and urge the importance of meeting the conditions involved in the $50,000 gift. The Convention has undertaken no work more vital to the future progress of the churches, and we indorse strongly the objective in the Five-Year Plan which calls for an endowment fund of $2,000,000.

IV

We deplore the increasing encroachments upon the Lord's Day, and its desecration, often in open violation of the law, in all parts of the country. We urge our people to aid and support those who seek the enforcement of the law and the observance of the holy day. Especially we urge upon our church-members a right attitude toward this sacred institution, and such habit and example as shall tend to its preservation.

V

Recognizing the home as the unit of society and the Christian home as the foundation of national strength and safety, we approve the resolution passed by the California Legislature, relating to a uniform national divorce law, as follows:

WHEREAS, The number of divorces throughout the United States has been increasing during the past fifty years at an alarming rate and under the present system there is no uniform law covering this subject in the several States, and

WHEREAS, At the present time the several States are operating under laws so entirely divergent that the legitimacy of children is often made a serious question, and property rights are frequently uncertain, and

WHEREAS, The question is one that strikes at the very foundation of our social organization, and we deem it necessary and proper that the law in relation thereto should be uniform throughout the United States, and that such law should be so safeguarded that fraudulent divorces cannot be secured, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we instruct our senators in Congress and request our representatives at Washington to use their best endeavors to have Congress submit an amendment to the Constitution of the United States whereby Congress may pass laws regulating the subject of marriage and divorce throughout the United States.

VI

In addition to the excellent recommendations of the Committee on Evangelism, to which emphatic attention is called, we recommend that

the Committee on Evangelism be vested by this Convention with the function of giving careful and studied attention to the character and fitness of the men of this denomination who desire to do the work of an evangelist, with a view to furnishing the Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America and pastors desiring evangelistic help reliable information concerning the same.

The various State Conventions are also urged to vest a similar function in the Evangelistic Committees and to cooperate in wisely furthering the object of this resolution.

VII

Resolved, That this Convention instruct its Executive Committee to institute a restudy of the basis on which the annual budgets should be built, with a view to finding some plan that will prevent the binding of the future by the limitations of the past, and at the same time secure continued unity and prevent unwise undertakings.

VIII

Since there is some lack of understanding regarding the position of some of the Missionary Societies with regard to specifics, and realizing the value of establishing as far as practicable the "living link" connection between the local churches and the missionaries on the field, at home and abroad, we suggest to the various Societies that they make a restudy of this subject and a restatement which may show the churches how to secure the "living link" inspiration; while holding to the policy that all funds shall go through the regular channels, and all plans and appointments be made by or with the approval of the Boards concerned.

IX

We recognize the valuable service freely and continuously rendered by the denominational papers, which have conspicuously aided in the movements to raise the debt of the missionary Societies, and have devoted large space to missionary information. A Baptist paper in every Baptist family would mean an incalculable aid in the development of denominational and church life.

X

We thoroughly appreciate the hearty welcome which greeted us on arrival, and has hovered over us all these days in the land of sunshine and flowers. We acknowledge the unfailing courtesy of all those who have cared for the comfort of the Convention, including the stimulating pastor of the Temple Church, the inspiring musicians, the ever-courteous ushers, and the many other hard-working hosts of the Convention. The Publicity Committee and the press have rendered service of immeasurable value. We shall never forget the impressions of the noble auditorium, with its six stories of sittings and its grand organ. We appreciate the courtesy and gracious ministries of the First Methodist Church and the

First German Methodist Church. We acknowledge with profound gratitude the early and unceasing endeavors of the people of Los Angeles and neighboring cities, including the generosity of the whole county, in providing for our happiness and profit. As we leave for home we go with memories which shall be as fragrant as the orange-blossoms and as abiding as the everlasting hills.

For the Committee on Resolutions,

HOWARD B. GROSE, *Chairman*,
T. J. CRAWFORD, *Secretary*.

361. On motion of Rev. H. B. Grose, of Massachusetts, it was voted that the resolutions as a whole be adopted.

362. Mrs. L. J. Bassford, of California, presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Executive Committee:

WHEREAS, The church school or Bible-school is occupying a large place in the mind of all religious people because of the importance of the religious education of our youth; and

WHEREAS, Statistics prove that eighty-five per cent of the additions to the church in this country come from the Bible-school; and

WHEREAS, The church is putting but ten per cent of its income, though not of its energy, into a department of its work from which it receives eighty-five per cent of its future membership; and

WHEREAS, This important department of the church has had no place on the program of the Northern Baptist Convention; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Program for this body be instructed to give a day or a part of a day to this subject which is so vital to the future of the Baptist denomination.

363. On motion of Rev. G. C. Moore, of New York, it was voted,

That the Executive Committee of the Convention be instructed to arrange for an exchange of fraternal delegates between the Baptist Conventions of the Maritime Provinces and Western Canada and the Northern Baptist Convention, similar to the arrangement now existing between this body and the Southern Baptist Convention.

364. The following report of the Committee on Enrolment was presented by Francis Line, of California:

SCHEDULE OF DELEGATES REGISTERED AT MEETINGS OF NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, LOS ANGELES, 1915

STATE.	Total Delegates	Ministers	Laymen	Women	Representatives	Visitors	Total
Arizona	26	15	3	8	1	1	.....
California	455	154	108	193	29	573	.....
Canada	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	8	.....
China	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
Colorado	33	12	3	18	....	7	.....
Connecticut	12	4	2	6	....	2	.....
District of Columbia	2	.....	.....	2	....	.....	.....
England	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2	.....
Georgia	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	.....
Idaho	24	9	5	10	....	.....	.....
Illinois	74	24	14	36	....	8	.....
India	1	.....	.....	1	....	.....	.....
Indiana	20	3	4	13	....	3	.....
Indian Territory	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	.....
Iowa	39	5	11	23	....	6	.....
Japan	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
Kansas	25	8	5	12	....	1	.....
Kentucky	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	.....
Maine	9	1	3	5	....	.....	.....
Maryland	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	.....
Massachusetts	59	16	7	36	....	8	.....
Michigan	22	3	6	13	1	4	.....
Minnesota	27	5	8	14	....	2	.....
Mississippi	1	.....	1	.....	....	3	.....
Missouri	13	5	1	7	....	2	.....
Montana	11	2	3	6	....	.....	.....
Nebraska	21	7	1	13	....	4	.....
Nevada	9	4	.....	5	....	.....	.....
New Hampshire	4	1	.....	3	....	.....	.....
New Jersey	28	9	6	13	....	2	.....
New York	63	16	12	35	....	12	.....
North Dakota	5	2	1	2	....	.....	.....
Ohio	41	13	8	20	....	5	.....
Oklahoma	1	1	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Oregon	41	16	3	22	1	2	.....
Pennsylvania	41	14	11	16	....	6	.....
Rhode Island	11	5	3	3	....	3	.....
South Dakota	11	4	3	4	....	.....	.....
Tennessee	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	.....
Texas	1	1	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Utah	10	3	2	5	1	.....	.....
Vermont	6	1	.....	5	....	.....	.....
Virginia	1	1	.....	.....	....	1	.....
Washington	40	18	4	18	....	5	.....
West Virginia	8	3	1	4	....	1	.....
Wisconsin	13	4	5	4	....	.....	.....
Wyoming	5	.....	.....	5	1	.....	.....
	1,213	389	244	580	37	677	1,927

365. On motion of Francis Line, of California, it was voted that the report be received and adopted.

366. The following report of nominations and appointments of committees was presented by the Recording Secretary:

Appointments by the Executive Committee

Board of Education

Term expires 1918. Prof. E. D. Burton, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. E. R. Curry, Boulder, Colo.; C. A. Marsh, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. H. F. Stilwell, Cleveland, Ohio; Sidney Colgate, Orange, N. J.; President S. E. Price, Ottawa, Kans.; Trevor Arnett, Chicago, Ill.

Conference with Committee of Southern Baptist Convention

Rev. W. C. Bitting, St. Louis, Mo.; Rev. Walter Calley, Boston, Mass.; Rev. J. W. Conley, Fresno, Cal.; Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minneapolis, Minn.; J. S. Dickerson, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. F. M. Goodchild, New York City; Rev. J. F. Herget, Cincinnati, Ohio; President G. E. Horr, Newton Center, Mass., *Chairman;* E. L. Tustin, Philadelphia, Pa.

Delegates to Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America

Rev. R. A. Ashworth, Milwaukee, Wis., *Secretary;* F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.; President C. A. Barbour, Rochester, N. Y.; Rev. L. C. Barnes, New York City; Rev. S. Z. Batten, Philadelphia, Pa.; Prof. W. W. Beman, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Rev. W. C. Bitting, St. Louis, Mo.; W. G. Brimson, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. J. B. Calvert, Irvington, N. Y.; E. S. Clinch, New York City; Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minneapolis, Minn.; Rev. J. H. Franklin, Boston, Mass.; President W. H. P. Faunce, Providence, R. I.; Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Rev. O. P. Gifford, Brookline, Mass.; Rev. H. B. Grose, Boston, Mass.; President E. A. Hanley, Franklin, Ind.; Justice C. E. Hughes, Washington, D. C.; Rev. E. W. Hunt, Newton Center, Mass.; Rev. A. G. Lawson, Jamaica, N. Y.; Dr. J. A. Bennett, New York City; Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.; Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, Rochester, N. Y.

Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations

Richard Edie, Jr., Yonkers, N. Y.; Rev. H. A. Heath, Boston, Mass.; C. T. Lewis, Toledo, Ohio, *Chairman;* Milton Remley, Iowa City, Iowa; Rev. F. A. Smith, Elizabeth, N. J.; Ambrose Swasey, Cleveland, Ohio; Rev. R. M. West, Newark, N. J., *Secretary.*

Evangelism

Term expires 1918. Rev. J. W. Brougher, Los Angeles, Cal.; W. C. Coleman, Wichita, Kans.; Mornay Williams, New York City.

Young People's Work

Term expires 1918. President E. A. Hanley, Franklin, Ind.; H. C. Lincoln, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. W. H. Bawden, Perth Amboy, N. J.; Rev. H. B. Grose, Boston, Mass.; H. S. Myers, New York City.

Appointments by the President

Apportionment Committee

Secretary F. P. Haggard, Boston, Mass., A. B. F. M. S.; Secretary H. L. Morehouse, New York City, A. B. H. M. S.; Secretary A. J. Rowland, Philadelphia, Pa., A. B. P. S.; F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J., Executive Committee; Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rochester, N. Y., W. A. B. F. M. S.; Mrs. K. S. Westfall, Chicago, Ill., W. A. B. H. M. S.: Rev. A. S. Carman, Marietta, Ohio, State Apportionment Committee; Rev. W. A. Davison, Burlington, Vt., State Convention Secretary; Rev. P. H. J. Lerrigo, Boston, Mass., District Secretary; Rev. A. W. Anthony, Lewiston, Me., City Church; Rev. H. H. Brown, Flemington, N. J., Country Church.

Foreign-speaking Bodies

Secretary L. C. Barnes, New York City, American Baptist Home Mission Society; Rev. C. A. Brooks, New York City, *Secretary;* Rev. O. Brouillette, Salem, Mass., French Baptist Conference; Rev. L. N. Christiansen, Minneapolis, Minn., Danish Baptist General Conference; Rev. Matt. Esselstrom, Chicago, Ill., Finnish Baptist Mission Union of America; Rev. C. W. Finwall, Chicago, Ill., Norwegian Baptist General Conference; Secretary F. P. Haggard, Boston, Mass., American Baptist Foreign Mission Society; Prof. Lewis Kaiser, Rochester, N. Y., General Missionary Society of the German Baptist Churches of America; Secretary G. C. Lamson, Philadelphia, Pa., American Baptist Publication Society; Rev. Antonio Mangano, Brooklyn, N. Y., Italian Baptist Association; Rev. S. Orosz, Cleveland, Ohio, Hungarian Baptist Union; Rev. Frank Peterson, Minneapolis, Minn., Swedish Baptist General Conference of America; Rev. K. W. Strelec, Milwaukee, Wis., American Baptist Slavic Union; Mrs. K. S. Westfall, Chicago, Ill., Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Moral and Religious Education

Term expires 1918. Rev. T. F. Chambers, Columbus, Ohio; Prof. H. F. Cope, Chicago, Ill.; President J. W. Mauck, Hillsdale, Mich.

Social Service

Term expires 1918. Rev. S. Z. Batten, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rochester, N. Y.; Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, Rochester, N. Y.; Rev. W. Q. Rosselle, Philadelphia, Pa.; Prof. H. K. Rowe, Newton Center, Mass.; Rev. A. W. Wishart, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Transportation

Term expires 1918. Rev. J. P. Jacobs, Kansas City, Mo.

Nominations for Appointment by the Convention

City Mission Problems

Rev. S. E. Ewing, St. Louis, Mo.; Rev. H. C. Gleiss, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Rev. C. H. Sears, New York City.

Denominational Day

Prof. F. L. Anderson, Newton Center, Mass.; F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.; Rev. John Humpstone, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. E. W. Hunt, Newton Center, Mass.; D. P. Leas, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. H. L. Morehouse, New York City; Pres. L. W. Riley, McMinnville, Ore.; Rev. T. J. Villers, Detroit, Mich.

State Conventions

Term expires 1918. Rev. C. M. Dinsmore, Evansville, Ind.; Rev. I. B. Mower, Waterville, Me.; Rev. F. B. Palmer, Denver, Colo.

Nominations for Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board

Term expires 1918. G. G. Dutcher, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. C. M. Gallup, Providence, R. I.; Rev. F. M. Goodchild, New York City; C. H. Prescott, Jr., Cleveland, Ohio; C. E. Prior, Hartford, Conn.; E. S. Reinhold, Chester, Pa.; Rev. P. C. Wright, Philadelphia, Pa.

367. On motion of D. C. Shull, of Iowa, it was voted that the appointments be approved, and the nominees elected as reported.

368. On motion of D. C. Shull, of Iowa, it was voted that the nominees for the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board be elected.

369. The following resolution, presented by Rev. W. H. Geistweit, of California, was referred to the Executive Committee of the Convention:

We feel that knowledge of the movements of the world is vitally essential to the better support of the great business of building the empire of Christ in all the world.

We heartily commend our missionary magazine "Missions." We believe it to be the model of its class. We urge its wider circulation among all our people. A copy of "Missions" in every Baptist home should be the steady and persistent purpose of every pastor.

370. On motion of Rev. H. S. Johnson, of Massachusetts, it was voted,

That the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention be authorized to suggest to the Committee of the Hall of Fame the selection of the name of Adoniram Judson.

371. On motion of Rev. P. C. Wright, of Pennsylvania, it was voted to refer the minutes of this session of the Convention to the Executive Committee for approval.

372. On motion of Rev. L. A. Crandall, of Minnesota, after prayer by Secretary L. C. Barnes, the Convention adjourned to meet in Minneapolis in 1916.

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

373. The meeting was called to order by Second Vice-president Mrs. L. A. Crandall, of Minnesota.

374. Mrs. L. K. Barnes, of New York, presented the following report of the tellers: Ballots cast, 374; for the nominees as presented, 373; scattering, 1.

375. On motion the Society adjourned.

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

376. The Society was called to order by E. S. Clinch, of New York.

377. Secretary G. B. Huntington, of Massachusetts, presented the following report of the tellers: Ballots cast, 289; for the nominees as presented, 283; scattering, 6.

378. On motion the Society adjourned.

American Baptist Home Mission Society

379. The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards, of California.

380. Rev. A. S. Carman, of New York, presented the following report of the tellers: Ballots cast, 361; for the nominees as presented, 360; scattering, 1.

381. President D. K. Edwards introduced to the Society President-elect F. C. Nickels, of Minnesota.

382. On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse, of New York, it was voted that the annual report be adopted.

383. On motion the Society adjourned.

TWENTY-SECOND SESSION, *Wednesday, May 26, 2 P. M.*

American Baptist Publication Society

384. The meeting was called to order by President J. W. Brougher.

385. Prayer was offered by Rev. S. W. Cummings, of California.

386. Secretary A. J. Rowland addressed the Society upon the award of prizes, by the Society, for hand work in Sunday-schools in the territory of the Convention.

387. On motion of Secretary A. J. Rowland, it was voted that the award of the annual prize for hand work to the First Baptist Sunday-school of Denver be made a matter of record.

388. Secretary G. C. Lamson introduced the following missionaries, who addressed the Society; Rev. Leroy Hall, of Oregon; Rev. W. C. Driver, of California; Rev. J. C. Killian, of Colorado; Miss Meme Brockway, of Pennsylvania.

389. On motion of Rev. H. T. Harper, of California, it was voted that a committee be appointed by the President to cooperate with the Society in establishing an institute of methods in Sunday-school work in Los Angeles.

390. President J. W. Brougher appointed the following as the Committee to cooperate with the Society in establishing an institute of methods in Los Angeles; Miss Blanche Wachob, Mrs. B. E. Bassford, Rev. J. B. Fox, Rev. G. D. Knights, Rev. H. T. Harper, all of California.

391. Secretary G. C. Lamson addressed the Society.

392. President J. W. Brougher addressed the Society.

393. Rev. P. C. Wright, of Pennsylvania, addressed the Society upon "The Publication Society and Its Possibilities."

394. On motion of Secretary A. J. Rowland it was voted that the annual report of the Society be adopted.

395. On motion of Secretary A. J. Rowland it was voted that the unapproved minutes of the Society for this Convention be referred to the Board of Managers of the Society for approval and publication.

396. On motion, and after prayer by Rev. J. B. Fox, of California, the Society adjourned.

MAURICE A. LEVY, *Recording Secretary,*
Northern Baptist Convention.



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Appendix A

DIRECTORY OF COOPERATING ORGANIZATIONS

AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

Ford Building, 15 Ashburton Place, Boston, Mass.

Home Secretary, Fred P. Haggard, Ford Building, 15 Ashburton Place, Boston, Mass.

Treasurer, Ernest S. Butler, 15 Ashburton Place, Boston, Mass.

AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

23 East Twenty-sixth Street, New York City

Corresponding Secretary, Henry L. Morehouse, 23 East Twenty-sixth Street, New York City

Treasurer, Frank S. Moulton, 23 East Twenty-sixth Street, New York City

AMERICAN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY

1701-1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Corresponding Secretary, A. J. Rowland, 1701 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Treasurer, H. S. Hopper, 1701 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

2969 Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Katherine S. Westfall, 2969 Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Treasurer, Mrs. Emma C. Marshall, 2969 Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

Foreign Secretary, Mrs. H. S. Safford, Ford Building, Boston, Mass.

Assistant Foreign Secretary, Miss Nellie G. Prescott, Ford Building, Boston, Mass.

Home Secretary, Miss Eleanor Mare, 450 East Thirtieth Street, Chicago, Ill.

Treasurer, Miss Alice E. Stedman, Ford Building, Boston, Mass.

AMERICAN BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Library Building, Crozer Seminary, Chester, Pa.

Librarian, Prof. Frank G. Lewis, Crozer Seminary, Chester, Pa.

DIRECTORY OF AFFILIATING ORGANIZATIONS

Legal Title	*President*	*Executive Officer*	*Treasurer*	*Time and Place of Next Meeting*
The Arizona Baptist Convention.	Rev. R. L. Sproles, Tucson.	Rev. T. F. McCourtney, Corresponding Secretary, 1106 N. 11th St., Phoenix.	M. L. Wortman, Phoenix.	Tuesday, April 5, 1916. Glendale.
Northern California Baptist Convention.	H. E. Wilkinson, 2015 Mariposa Drive, Fresno.	Rev. C. W. Brinstad, Corresponding Secretary, 15 Eucalyptus Road, Berkeley.	A. E. Caldwell, Oakland Bank of Savings, Oakland.	Tuesday, Nov 9, 1915. Berkeley, First Church.
Southern California Baptist Convention.	J. M. Davison, Riverside.	Rev. J. F. Watson, Corresponding Secretary, 501 San Fernando Bldg., Los Angeles.	George E. Reid, Home Savings Bank, Los Angeles.	Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1916. Pasadena, First Church.
The Colorado Baptist State Convention.	Rev. D. T. Pulliam, Loveland.	Rev. F. B. Palmer, Corresponding Secretary, 367-8 Gas & Electric Bldg., Denver.	F. D. Stackhouse, Room 101, City Hall, Denver.	Tuesday, October 19, 1915. Greeley.
The Connecticut Baptist Convention.	E. K. Nicholson, Bridgeport.	Rev. A. B. Coats, General Secretary, 722 Asylum Avenue, Hartford.	C. E. Prior, P. O. Drawer 58, Hartford.	Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1915. Norwich, Central Church.
The Delaware Baptist Union Association.	Rev. W. R. McNutt, Moores, Pa.	Rev. H. M. B. Dare, Clerk, 2341 Providence Ave., Chester, Pa.	Harry Emmons, Wilmington, Delaware.	Thursday, Oct. 14, 1915.
Columbia Association of Baptist Churches.	William A. Wilbur, 1205 Columbia Road, Washington, D. C.	Rev. J. W. Many, Clerk, Station H, R.F.D. No. 2, Washington.	Waring E. Evans, Interior Department, Room 226, Washington.	Monday, Nov. 15, 1915. Washington, Grace Church.
Idaho Baptist Convention of the State of Idaho.	F. S. Dietrich, Boise.	Rev. W. H. Bowler, State Superintendent, 416 Empire Bldg., Boise.	R. S. Rightenour, Boise.	Tuesday, Sept. 28, 1915. Emmett.
Illinois Baptist State Convention.	W. G. Brimson, 426 W. 62d St., Chicago.	Rev. E. P. Brand, Superintendent of Missions, Normal.	L. K. Evans, El Paso.	Monday, Oct. 18, 1915. Aurora, First Church.
The Indiana Baptist Convention.	Rev. C. M. Dinsmore, Evansville.	Rev. W. B. Pope, Superintendent of State Missions, Franklin.	W. A. Burton, Franklin.	Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1915. Hammond, First Church.
Iowa Baptist Convention.	J. R. Vaughan, Waterloo.	Rev. S. E. Wilcox, Budget Secretary, Des Moines. Rev. G. P. Mitchell, Missionary Secretary, Des Moines.	J. H. Cochrane, Des Moines.	Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1915. Cedar Rapids, First Church.
The Kansas Baptist Convention.	W. C. Coleman, Wichita.	Rev. J. T. Crawford, Missionary Secretary, Parsons.	Wayland Campbell, Topeka.	Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1915. Clay Center.
Maine Baptist Missionary Convention.	Rev. T. J. Ramsdell, Calais.	Rev. I. B. Mower, Corresponding Secretary, Waterville.	H. M. Maling, 131 Middle St., Portland.	Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1915. Waterville.
Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society.	Rev. Franklin Hutchinson, Framingham.	Rev. Hugh A. Heath, Secretary, Room 502, Tremont Temple, Boston.	Edward E. Stevens, Room 502 Tremont Temple, Boston.	Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1915. Boston, First Church.
Michigan Baptist Convention.	Pliny W. Marsh, Free Press Bldg., Detroit.	Rev. E. M. Lake, General Superintendent, 536 Michigan Ave. E., Lansing.	Walter W. Smith, Ford Bldg., Detroit.	Tuesday, Oct. 19, 1915. Owosso.
Minnesota Baptist State Convention.	F. K. Pratt, New York Life Bldg., Minneapolis.	Rev. E. R. Pope, Corresponding Secretary, 405 Evanston Bldg., Minneapolis.	J. A. Ridgway, County Court House, Minneapolis.	Monday, Oct. 11, 1915. Minneapolis, Temple Church.
Missouri Baptist General Association.	E. W. Stephens, Columbia.	Rev. T. L. West, Corresponding Secretary, Carrollton.	John A. Guthrie, Mexico.	Tuesday, Oct. 19, 1915. Trenton, First Church.

Montana Baptist Convention.	Rev. W. E. Pettibone, Great Falls.	Rev. G. Clifford Cross, Corresponding Secretary, Lewistown.	R. L. Sutton, Butte.	Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1915. Lewistown.
Nebraska Baptist State Convention.	C. A. Schappel, Pawnee City.	Rev. Fred Berry, Secretary and Superintendent of Missions, 604 Fraternity Bldg., Lincoln.	W. E. Rhoades, Omaha.	Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1915. Grand Island.
Nevada-Sierra Baptist Convention.	Rev. E. L. Spaulding, Fallon.	Rev. G. N. Gardner, Corresponding Secretary, Reno.	Rev. C. T. Goodall, Sparks.	
New Hampshire Baptist Convention.	C. E. Clough, Lebanon.	Rev. D. S. Jenks, Secretary, Franklin.	Lewis F. Stapley, Postmaster.	Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1915. Concord.
New Jersey Baptist Convention.	F. W. Ayer, Camden.	Rev. D. Dewolf, General Secretary and Superintendent of Missions, 826 Broad Street, Newark.	B. F. Fowler, Haddonfield.	Monday, Oct. 25, 1915. Newark.
The Baptist Missionary Convention of the State of New York.	Rev. W. A. Granger, 23 E. 26th St., New York City.	Rev. Edwin B. Richmond, Executive Secretary and President's Assistant, 23 E. 26th St., New York City.	Orrin R. Judd, 23 E. 26th St., New York City.	Monday, Oct. 25, 1915. Brooklyn, Baptist Temple.
North Dakota Baptist State Convention.	R. B. Griffith, Grand Forks.	Rev. C. E. Hagley, Corresponding Secretary and Superintendent of Missions, Grand Forks.	S. C. Hutchinson, Grand Forks.	Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1915. Fargo.
Ohio Baptist Convention.	Rev. J. F. Herget, Cincinnati.	Rev. C. J. Rose, Executive Secretary, Coshocton.	Rev. R. S. Colwell, Granville.	Monday, Oct. 18, 1915. Wilmington.
Oregon Baptist State Convention.	Jeff H. Irish, Eugene.	Rev. O. C. Wright, Corresponding Secretary, 308 Y.M.C.A. Bldg., Portland.	J. F. Failing, Portland.	Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1915. Eugene.
Pennsylvania Baptist General Convention.	D. P. Leas, 882 Drexel Bldg., Philadelphia.	Rev. C. A. Stone, General Secretary, 1324 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.	W. T. Lee, 308 Rex Ave., Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia.	Monday, Oct. 18, 1915. First Baptist Church, Pittsburgh.
Rhode Island Baptist State Convention.	Rev. Frank Reeter, 1 Brook St., Pawtucket.	Rev. J. Stewart, Secretary and Superintendent of Missions, 302 Home Bank, Providence.	Walter L. Clarke, 406 Butter Exch., Providence.	Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1915. Central Falls, Broad St. Church.
South Dakota Baptist Convention.	John F. Schadler, Rapid City.	Rev. S. P. Sipe, Corresponding Secretary, Sioux Falls.	E. A. Loomer, Mitchell.	Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1915. Deadwood, First Church.
The Utah Baptist State Convention.	E. D. Hammond, Salt Lake City.	Rev. W. H. Bowler, Corresponding Secretary, 411 Eagle Bldg., Boise, Idaho.	E. O. Lindgren, Salt Lake City.	Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1915. Salt Lake City.
Vermont Baptist State Convention.	Henry Bond, Brattleboro.	Rev. W. A. Davison, Secretary and Superintendent, Burlington.	Howard Crane, Burlington.	Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1915. Burlington.
East Washington and North Idaho Baptist Convention.	J. V. McCall, Hay.	Rev. P. H. Marsilis, Corresponding Secretary and Superintendent of State Missions, 539 Rookery Bldg., Spokane.	C. A. Perkins, Spokane.	Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1915. Spokane.
Western Washington Baptist Convention.	Rev. F. W. Bateson, Olympia.	Rev. Jos. H. Beaven, Corresponding Secretary, 323 New York Block, Seattle.	Geo. W. Fowler, Tacoma.	Tuesday, Oct. —, 1915. Mt. Vernon, Davis Mem. Church.
The Baptist General Association of West Virginia.	Rev. T. C. Johnson, Charleston.	Rev. I. E. Myers, Corresponding Secretary, Parkersburg.	Henry A. Smith, Parkersburg.	Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1915. Parkersburg.
Wisconsin Baptist State Convention.	F. H. Lindsay, Milwaukee.	Rev. D. W. Herbert, General Superintendent, 1717 Wells St., Milwaukee.	H. W. Bardenwerper, 739 34th St., Milwaukee.	Tuesday, Oct. 11, 1915. Green Bay.
Wyoming Baptist State Convention.	Rev. Geo. Van Winkle, Cheyenne.	Rev. J. F. Blodgett, Corresponding Secretary, Lander.	W. L. Whipple, Cheyenne.	Friday, Sept. 10, 1915. Worland.

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

GROUP A. REPORTED AT LOS ANGELES IN 1915

(Figures in parenthesis refer to items in the Annual.)

1. Apportionment (52)

Prof. A. W. Anthony, Lewiston, Me., Free Baptist.
Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rochester, N. Y., W. A. B. F. M. S.
Rev. H. H. Brown, Flemington, N. J., Country Church.
Rev. A. S. Carman, Marietta, Ohio, *Secretary,* Apportionment Committee.
Rev. W. A. Davison, Brattleboro, Vt., State Convention.
D. G. Garabrant, Bloomfield, N. J., *Treasurer.*
Sec. F. P. Haggard, Boston, Mass., *Chairman,* A. B. F. M. S.
Sec. P. H. J. Lerrigo, Boston, Mass., District Secretary.
Sec. H. L. Morehouse, New York City, A. B. H. M. S.
Sec. A. J. Rowland, Philadelphia, Pa., A. B. P. S.
Mrs. K. S. Westfall, Chicago, Ill., W. A. B. H. M. S.
Rev. P. C. Wright, Philadelphia, Pa., City Church.

2. Board of Education (94)

Term expires 1915

Prof. E. D. Burton, Chicago, Ill., *Chairman.*
Rev. E. R. Curry, Omaha, Neb.
Pres. W. H. P. Faunce, Providence, R. I.
J. E. Franklin, Colorado Springs, Colo.
C. A. Marsh, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. H. F. Stilwell, Cleveland, Ohio.

Term expires 1916

Rev. C. A. Barbour, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. J. W. Brougher, Los Angeles, Cal.
Pres. E. A. Hanley, Franklin, Ind.
Sec. E. W. Hunt, Boston, Mass.
Prof. Paul Munroe, New York City.
Pres. L. W. Riley, McMinnville, Ore.
E. L. Tustin, Philadelphia, Pa.

Term expires 1917

Prof. J. S. Brown, Joliet, Ill.
Rev. A. K. Foster, Worcester, Mass.
L. S. Gillette, Minneapolis, Minn.
Pres. G. E. Horr, Newton Center, Mass.
Prof. A. W. Small, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. J. M. Stifler, Evanston, Ill.
Chancellor Frank Strong, Lawrence, Kans.

3. Brotherhood Council (64)

Term expires 1915

R. B. Griffith, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
Sec. E. W. Hunt, Boston, Mass.
Rev. F. E. Marble, Cambridge, Mass.
Pres. S. E. Price, Ottawa, Kans.
Rev. F. C. W. Parker, Portland, Ore.
Rev. H. W. Cole, Kansas City, Mo.
O. R. Judd, Brooklyn, N. Y.
E. S. Butler, Boston, Mass.
F. C. Nickels, Minneapolis, Minn.
Rev. L. L. Henson, Pueblo, Colo.

Term expires 1916

J. W. Ferguson, Richmond, Ind.
S. G. Young, Lansing, Mich.
Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. J. M. Moore, New York City.
Mornay Williams, New York City.
G. W. Coleman, Boston, Mass.
H. G. Wasson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
P. W. Marsh, Detroit, Mich.
Rev. M. H. Day, Rockford, Ill.
Rev. W. T. Thayer, Wallingford, Conn.

Term expires 1917

Rev. C. A. Barbour, Rochester, N. Y.
R. H. Bouslog, Peru, Ind.
Mitchell Carroll, Washington, D. C.
H. E. Cole, Pittsburgh, Pa.
W. C. Coleman, Wichita, Kans.
Rev. R. C. Hull, Summit, N. J.
Rev. H. E. Fosdick, Montclair, N. J.
Prof. Allan Hoben, Chicago, Ill.
C. L. Major, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. C. L. Page, Boston, Mass.
F. A. Ward, Los Angeles, Cal.

4. City Mission Problems (169)

Term expires 1915

Rev. S. E. Ewing, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. H. C. Gleiss, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. C. H. Sears, New York City, *Secretary.*

Term expires 1916

Rev. G. W. Ball, Minneapolis, Minn.
Rev. C. A. Brooks, Cleveland, Ohio.
Rev. R. M. West, Rochester, N. Y.

Term expires 1917

Rev. G. E. Burlingame, San Francisco, Cal.
Rev. E. P. Farnham, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.

5. Conference with Committee of Southern Baptist Convention (140)

Rev. W. C. Bitting, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. Walter Calley, Boston, Mass.
Rev. J. W. Conley, Fresno, Cal.
Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minneapolis, Minn.
J. S. Dickerson, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. F. M. Goodchild, New York City.
Rev. J. F. Herget, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Pres. G. E. Horr, Newton Center, Mass., *Chairman.*
E. L. Tustin, Philadelphia, Pa.

6. Correlation (175)

Prof. F. L. Anderson, Newton Center, Mass.
Ambrose Swasey, Cleveland, Ohio.
Rev. H. C. Gleiss, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. C. H. Sears, New York City.
Rev. C. L. White, New York City.
Rev. B. D. Stelle, Upland, Pa.
Rev. W. A. Davison, Burlington, Vt.
Rev. Frank Peterson, Minneapolis, Minn.
Miss Julia Dickerson, Chicago, Ill.

7. Delegates to Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America (338)

Rev. R. A. Ashworth, Milwaukee, Wis., *Secretary.*
F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.
Rev. C. A. Barbour, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. L. C. Barnes, New York City.
Rev. S. Z. Batten, Philadelphia, Pa.
Prof. W. W. Beman, Ann Arbor, Mich.
Dr. J. A. Bennett, New York City.
Rev. W. C. Bitting, St. Louis, Mo.
W. G. Brimson, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. J. B. Calvert, Irvington, N. Y.
E. S. Clinch, New York City.
Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minneapolis, Minn.
Rev. J. H. Franklin, Boston, Mass.
Pres. W. H. P. Faunce, Providence, R. I.
Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. O. P. Gifford, Brookline, Mass.
Rev. H. B. Grose, Boston, Mass.
Pres. E. A. Hanley, Franklin, Ind.
Justice C. E. Hughes, Washington, D. C.
Rev. E. W. Hunt, Boston, Mass.
Rev. A. G. Lawson, Jamaica, N. Y., *Chairman.*
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.
Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, Rochester, N. Y.

8. Denominational Day (162)

Prof. F. L. Anderson, Newton Center, Mass.
F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.
Rev. W. B. Hinson, Portland, Ore.
Rev. John Humpstone, Rye, N. Y.
Sec. E. W. Hunt, Boston, Mass.
D. P. Leas, Philadelphia, Pa.
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. H. L. Morehouse, New York City.
Rev. T. J. Villers, Detroit, Mich.

9. Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations (83)

Richard Edie, Jr., Yonkers, N. Y.
Rev. H. A. Heath, Boston, Mass.
C. T. Lewis, Toledo, Ohio, *Chairman.*
Milton Remley, Iowa City, Iowa.
Rev. F. A. Smith, Elizabeth, N. J.
Ambrose Swasey, Cleveland, Ohio.
Rev. R. M. West, Rochester, N. Y., *Secretary.*

10. Committee on Enrolment (100, 138, 364)

Francis Line, Los Angeles, Cal.
Rev. F. E. Morgan, Palo Alto, Cal.
Rev. J. H. Deere, Phœnix, Ariz.
Rev. H. W. Davis, Eugene, Ore.
Rev. Wilson Mills, Omaha, Neb.

11. Evangelism (57)

Term expires 1915

Rev. J. W. Brougher, Los Angeles, Cal.
W. C. Coleman, Wichita, Kans.
Mornay Williams, New York City.

Term expires 1916

Rev. J. A. Francis, Los Angeles, Cal.
Rev. W. B. Riley, Minneapolis, Minn.
D. C. Shull, Sioux City, Iowa.

Term expires 1917

Rev. H. W. Jones, McMinnville, Ore.
Rev. Johnston Myers, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. T. J. Villers, Detroit, Mich., *Chairman.*

12. Finance (48)

Term expires 1915

T. E. Barkworth, Jackson, Mich.
Rev. Wallace Buttrick, New York City.
G. D. Finlay, Montclair, N. J.

Term expires 1916

C. M. Gallup, Providence, R. I.
R. E. Olds, Lansing, Mich.
R. L. Scott, Evanston, Ill.

Term expires 1917

Trevor Arnett, Chicago, Ill.
R. B. Fosdick, Montclair, N. J.
D. C. Shull, Sioux City, Iowa.

13. Foreign-speaking Bodies (299)

Sec. L. C. Barnes, New York City, American Baptist Home Mission Society.
Rev. C. A. Brooks, New York City, *Secretary.*
Rev. O. Brouillette, Salem, Mass., French Baptist Conference.
Rev. N. L. Christiansen, Minneapolis, Minn., Danish Baptist General Convention.
Rev. Matt. Esselstrom, Chicago, Ill., Finnish Baptist Mission Union of America.
Rev. C. W. Finwall, Chicago, Ill., Norwegian Baptist General Conference.
Sec. F. P. Haggard, Boston, Mass., American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

Rev. J. F. Herget, Cincinnati, Ohio, *Chairman.*
Prof. Lewis Kaiser, Rochester, N. Y., General Missionary Society of the German Baptist Churches of America.
Sec. G. C. Lamson, Philadelphia, Pa., American Baptist Publication Society.
Rev. Antonio Mangano, Brooklyn, N. Y., Italian Baptist Association.
Rev. S. Orosz, Cleveland, Ohio, Hungarian Baptist Union.
Rev. Frank Peterson, Minneapolis, Minn., Swedish Baptist General Conference of America.
Rev. K. W. Strelec, Milwaukee, Wis., American Baptist Slavic Union.
Mrs. K. S. Westfall, Chicago, Ill., Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

14. Law

A. L. Abbott, St. Louis, Mo., *Chairman.*
J. A. Baldwin, Chicago, Ill.
W. R. Conklin, New York City.
W. W. Douglas, Providence, R. I.
C. T. Lewis, Toledo, Ohio.

15. Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board (133)

Term expires 1915

G. G. Dutcher, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Rev. C. M. Gallup, Providence, R. I.
Rev. F. M. Goodchild, New York City.
C. H. Prescott, Jr., Cleveland, Ohio.
C. E. Prior, Hartford, Conn.
E. S. Reinhold, Chester, Pa.
Rev. P. C. Wright, Philadelphia, Pa., *Recording Secretary.*

Term expires 1916

A. M. Harris, Plainfield, N. J.
Rev. A. A. Shaw, Brooklyn, N. Y.
C. M. Thoms, Rochester, N. Y.
A. K. Van Deventer, Elizabeth, N. J.
Rev. H. J. Vosburgh, Camden, N. J.
Rev. H. J. White, Hartford, Conn.
Rev. J. K. Wilson, Portland, Me.

Term expires 1917

Rev. W. A. Davison, Burlington, Vt.
W. H. Doane, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Rev. C. A. Eaton, New York City.
Rev. E. P. Farnham, Brooklyn, N. Y.
E. H. Haskell, Newton Center, Mass.
Luther Keller, Scranton, Pa.
Rev. H. L. Morehouse, New York City, *President.*

16. Moral and Religious Education (164)

Term expires 1915

Rev. T. F. Chambers, Columbus, Ohio.
Prof. H. F. Cope, Chicago, Ill.
Prof. H. K. Rowe, Newton Center, Mass.

Term expires 1916

Rev. W. P. Behan, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. A. A. Shaw, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Term expires 1917

Rev. F. D. Elmer, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Rev. C. W. Gilkey, Chicago, Ill.
Prof. I. M. Price, Chicago, Ill. *Chairman.*

17. Nominations (70, 71, 195, 229, 236, 242, 248, 254, 261)

E. C. Forsyth, Mesa, Ariz.
Rev. W. F. Harper, Pomona, Cal.
Rev. F. B. Palmer, Denver, Colo.
Rev. A. B. Coats, Hartford, Conn., *Secretary.*
Rev. C. L. Trawin, Boise, Idaho.
Rev. J. M. Stifler, Evanston, Ill.
Rev. E. L. Dakin, Logansport, Ind.
Rev. R. B. Davidson, Marshalltown, Iowa.
Rev. Samra Smith, Mullinville, Kans.
H. W. Noyes, Portland, Me.
Rev. H. A. Heath, Boston, Mass.
Rev. E. M. Lake, Lansing, Mich.
Rev. E. M. Hulett, Minneapolis, Minn.
Rev. Joe P. Jacobs, Kansas City, Mo.
Rev. W. A. King, Butte, Mont.
Rev. J. A. Maxwell, Omaha, Neb.

Rev. G. N. Gardner, Reno, Nev.
Rev. D. S. Jenks, Franklin, N. H.
Rev. Delavan Dewolf, Newark, N. J.
Rev. C. A. Barbour, Rochester, N. Y., *Chairman.*
Rev. C. E. Tingley, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
J. P. Beaver, Dayton, Ohio.
Rev. L. W. Riley, McMinnville, Ore.
Rev. O. T. Steward, Philadelphia, Pa.
Rev. G. F. Beecher, Woonsocket, R. I.
Rev. S. P. Shaw, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
Rev. L. S. Bowerman, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Rev. W. A. Davison, Burlington, Vt.
Rev. F. W. Bateson, Olympia, Wash.
Rev. L. B. Moore, Parkersburg, W. Va.
S. M. Hart, Racine, Wis.
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A. B. F. M. S., Henry Bond, Vermont.
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A. B. P. S., Rev. G. T. Webb, Pennsylvania.
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W. A. B. H. M. S., Mrs. Washington Laycock, Illinois.
Ex. Com. of the N. B. C., Rev. R. N. Lynch, California.

18. Order of Business (70, 71, 75, 122, 160, 291, 310)

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Rev. J. F. Watson, Los Angeles, Cal., *Chairman.*
Rev. L. L. Henson, Pueblo, Colo.
L. A. Wiley, Hartford, Conn.
Rev. G. F. Lowe, Boise, Idaho.
Rev. G. M. Schott, Urbana, Ill.
F. T. Roberts, La Porte, Ind.
F. Y. Whitmore, West Union, Iowa.
Rev. Bruce Kinney, Topeka, Kans.
L. M. Webb, Portland, Me.
Rev. O. W. Foye, Somerville, Mass.
Rev. B. H. Taylor, Sparta, Mich.
W. R. Brown, Los Angeles, Cal.
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Dr. J. A. Bennett, New York City.
Rev. D. S. Jenks, Franklin, N. H.
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Rev. A. H. Nikolaus, Martin, N. Dak.
Rev. G. L. Hall, Marshfield, Ore.
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Mrs. W. A. Davison, Burlington, Vt.
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Pres. D. B. Purinton, Morgantown, W. Va.
Rev. W. D. Wells, Berlin, Wis.
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19. Place of Next Meeting (70, 71, 223)

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Rev. G. E. Burlingame, San Francisco, Cal., *Chairman.*
Rev. A. H. C. Morse, Denver, Colo.
G. B. Germond, New Britain, Conn.
Rev. J. E. Kanarr, Middletown, Idaho.
C. L. Major, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. W. A. Pavy, Waldron, Ind.
W. R. Buchanan, Mount Union, Iowa.
Rev. T. J. Duvall, Norton, Kans.
Mrs. H. W. Noyes, Portland, Me.
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Rev. F. C. Nickels, Minneapolis, Minn.

Rev. Charles Durden, St. Joseph, Me.
A. G. Nanndorf, Eureka, Mont.
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Mrs. D. S. Jenks, Franklin, N. H.
V. E. Downer, Lindenhurst, N. J.
Rev. Brewster Adams, Reno, Nev.
Mrs. R. B. Griffith, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
Rev. W. J. Beaven, Portland, Ore.
Rev. A. S. Carman, Marietta, Ohio.
Rev. S. G. Neil, Philadelphia, Pa.
Rev. John Stewart, Providence, R. I.
Rev. Rolvix Harlan, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
J. J. Corum, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Mrs. E. B. Bailey, Burlington, Vt.
Rev. J. E. Noftsinger, Mount Vernon, Wash.
Mrs. F. L. Evans, Parkersburg, W. Va.
Mrs. Minnie Moody, Milwaukee, Wis.
Mrs. Geo. Van Winkle, Cheyenne, Wyo.

20. Plans for Raising Debts (270)

Prof. A. W. Anthony, Lewiston, Me.
F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.
Henry Bond, Brattleboro, Vt.
Prof. E. D. Burton, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. J. H. Franklin, Boston, Mass.
D. G. Garabrant, Bloomfield, N. J.
Rev. F. P. Haggard, Boston, Mass.
E. H. Haskell, Newton Center, Mass.
Rev. G. C. Lamson, Philadelphia, Pa.
Mrs. A. G. Lester, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, Glencoe, Ill.
Rev. C. L. White, New York City.

21. Reports of Cooperating Organizations (343)

Rev. F. B. Bachelor, Ann Arbor, Mich.
Rev. A. M. Bailey, Peru, Ind.
Rev. J. C. Ball, Washington, D. C.
Rev J. H. Beaven, Seattle, Wash., Secretary.
Rev. W. H. Bowler, Boise, Idaho.
Mrs. G. W. Cassidy, Wichita, Kans.
Mrs. G. W. Coleman, Boston, Mass.
Rev. J. J. Cook, Huntington, W. Va.
Rev. M. H. Day, Rockford, Ill.
Rev. W. L. Dorgan, Waterloo, Iowa.
Rev. F. O. Erb, Portland, Me.
Rev. R. B. Esten, Middlebury, Vt.
Rev. S. E. Ewing, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. J. H. Gagnier, Beaver Dam, Wis.
Rev. C. M. Gallup, Providence, R. I.
Rev. G. N. Gardner, Reno, Nev.
R. B. Griffith, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
Rev. T. P. Holloway, Wilmington, Del.
Rev. D. S. Jenks, Franklin, N. H.
Rev. E. F. Jordan, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
Rev. S. F. Langford, Sacramento, Cal.
Rev. J. C. Massee, Dayton, Ohio.
Rev. S. D. May, Dwyer, Wyo.
Rev. T. F. McCourtney, Phœnix, Ariz.
Mrs. C. E. Nichols, White Plains, N. Y.
Rev. Frank Rideout, Bridgeport, Conn.
Rev. W. B. Riley, Minneapolis, Minn.
Rev. Thomas Stephenson, Helena, Mont.
Dr. A. H. Stockham, Delta, Colo.
Pres. G. W. Taft, Grand Island, Neb.
Rev. C. L. Trawin, Boise, Idaho.
Rev. H. J. Vosburgh, Camden, N. J.
Rev. W. M. Walker, Scranton, Pa.
Rev. C. A. Wooddy, Portland, Ore., *Chairman*.

22. Resolutions (70, 71, 360)

Rev. R. L. Sproles, Tucson, Ariz.
Rev. S. W. Cummings, Pasadena, Cal.
Rev. E. R. Curry, Boulder, Colo.
Rev. H. J. White, Hartford, Conn.
Rev. J. C. Austin, Blackfoot, Idaho.
Rev. M. W. Twing, Alton, Ill.
Rev. Frederick Taylor, Indianapolis, Ind.

E. J. Gibbs, Mount Union, Iowa.
Rev. J. T. Crawford, Parsons, Kans.
H. R. Dunham, Waterville, Me.
Rev. H. B. Grose, Boston, Mass.
Rev. S. E. Ewing, St. Louis, Mo.
Chauncey Strong, Kalamazoo, Mich.
Rev. E. V. Pierce, Minneapolis, Minn.
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Rev. L. C. Barnes, New York City.
Rev. D. D. Proper, Omaha, Neb.
Rev. D. S. Jenks, Franklin, N. H.
Rev. F. A. Smith, Elizabeth, N. J.
R. B. Griffith, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
Rev. L. D. Howard, Lassen, Nev.
Rev. G. P. Osborne, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Rev. H. W. Davis, Eugene, Ore.
J. B. Brittain, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. J. L. Peacock, Westerly, R. I.
Mrs. R. L. Kelley, Mitchell, S. Dak.
Mrs. C. J. McNitt, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Mrs. C. G. Crane, Burlington, Vt.
Miss Nellie Morgan, Cheyenne, Wyo.
Mrs. D. B. Purinton, Morgantown, W. Va.
T. J. Silverthorn, Berlin, Wis.
Rev. H. L. Boardman, Walla Walla, Wash.

23. Social Service (226)

Term expires 1915

Rev. S. Z. Batten, Philadelphia, Pa.
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. H. B. Montgomery, Rochester, N. Y.
Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. W. Q. Rosselle, Philadelphia, Pa.
Rev. A. W. Wishart, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Term expires 1916

Mrs. G. H. Ferris, Philadelphia, Pa.
C. J. Galpin, Madison, Wis.
Rev. Harold Pattison, New York City.
Prof. W. E. Raffety, Kansas City, Kans.
Rev. L. J. Sawyer, San Francisco, Cal.
Rev. G. T. Webb, Philadelphia, Pa.

Term expires 1917

G. W. Coleman, Boston, Mass.
J. E. Franklin, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Mrs. E. J. Goodspeed, Chicago, Ill.
Prof. C. R. Henderson, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. R. D. Lord, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Prof. L. D. Osborn, Boulder, Colo.

24. State Conventions (295)

Term expires 1915

Rev. M. P. Fikes, Detroit, Mich.
Rev. I. B. Mower, Waterville, Me.
C. A. Schapel, Pawnee City, Neb.

Term expires 1916

Rev. D. W. Hulburt, Wauwatosa, Wis.
Rev. E. R. Pope, Minneapolis, Minn., *Secretary.*
Rev. C. J. Rose, Granville, Ohio.

Term expires 1917

Rev. H. A. Heath, Boston, Mass.
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. C. A. Wooddy, Portland, Ore., *Chairman.*

25. Transportation

Term expires 1915

Rev. J. P. Jacobs, Kansas City, Mo.

Term expires 1916

Rev. J. Y. Aitchison, Chicago, Ill.

Term expires 1917

Rev. C. A. Wooddy, Portland, Ore.

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Edward S. Clinch, New York City, *President.*
Rev. William C. Bitting, St. Louis, Mo., *Corresponding Secretary.*

26. United Missionary Campaign (301, 302)

Sec. L. C. Barnes, New York City.
Henry Bond, Brattleboro, Vt.
Sec. W. A. Davison, Burlington, Vt.
Sec. F. P. Haggard, Boston, Mass.
Rev. E. W. Hunt, Newton Center, Mass.
Sec. G. C. Lamson, Philadelphia, Pa.
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rochester, N. Y.
Sec. F. W. Padelford, Boston, Mass.
Rev. C. H. Sears, New York City.
Mrs. K. S. Westfall, Chicago, Ill.
Mornay Williams, New York City.
Sec. J. M. Moore, New York City, *Secretary.*

27. Young People's Work (167)

Term expires 1915

Rev. W. H. Bawden, Perth Amboy, N. J.
Rev. H. B. Grose, Boston, Mass.
H. C. Lincoln, Philadelphia, Pa.
H. S. Myers, Roselle, N. J.
Rev. W. B. Wallace, Rochester, N. Y.

Term expires 1916

Rev. H. R. Best, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
Rev. C. D. Case, Buffalo, N. Y.
G. W. Coleman, Boston, Mass.
Prof. I. M. Price, Chicago, Ill.
A. H. Vautier, Philadelphia, Pa.

Term expires 1917

Prof. A. W. Anthony, Lewiston, Me.
Rev. O. C. Brown, Lawrence, Kans.
Rev. J. W. Conley, Fresno, Cal.
Pres. J. A. Earl, Des Moines, Iowa.
Rev. G. T. Webb, Philadelphia, Pa.

GROUP B. TO REPORT AT MINNEAPOLIS IN 1916

1. Apportionment (366, 367)

Sec. F. P. Haggard, Boston, Mass., A. B. F. M. S.
Sec. H. L. Morehouse, New York City, A. B. H. M. S.
Sec. A. J. Rowland, Philadelphia, Pa., A. B. P. S.
F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J., Executive Committee.
Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Rochester, N. Y., W. A. B. F. M. S.
Mrs. K. S. Westfall, Chicago, Ill., W. A. B. H. M. S.
Rev. A. S. Carman, Marietta, Ohio, State Apportionment Committee.
Rev. W. A. Davison, Burlington, Vt., State Convention Secretary.
Rev. P. H. J. Lerrigo, Boston, Mass., District Secretary.
Rev. A. W. Anthony, Lewiston, Me., City Church.
Rev. H. H. Brown, Flemington, N. J., Country Church.

2. Board of Education (366, 367)

Term expires 1916

Rev. C. A. Barbour, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. J. W. Brougher, Los Angeles, Cal.
Pres. E. A. Hanley, Franklin, Ind.
Rev. E. W. Hunt, Newton Center, Mass.
Prof. Paul Munroe, New York City.
Pres. L. W. Riley, McMinnville, Ore.
E. L. Tustin, Philadelphia, Pa.

Term expires 1917

Prof. J. S. Brown, Joliet, Ill.

Rev. A. K. Foster, Worcester, Mass.
L. S. Gillette, Minneapolis, Minn.
Pres. G. E. Horr, Newton Center, Mass.
Prof. A. W. Small, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. J. M. Stifler, Evanston, Ill.
Chancellor Frank Strong, Lawrence, Kans.

Term expires 1918

Prof. E. D. Burton, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. E. R. Curry, Boulder, Colo.
C. A. Marsh, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. H. F. Stilwell, Cleveland, Ohio.
Sidney Colgate, Orange, N. J.
Pres. S. E. Price, Ottawa, Kans.
Trevor Arnett, Chicago, Ill.

3. Brotherhood Council (269)

Term expires 1916

J. W. Ferguson, Richmond, Ind.
S. G. Young, Lansing, Mich.
Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. J. M. Moore, New York City.
Mornay Williams, New York City.
G. W. Coleman, Boston, Mass.
H. G. Wasson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
P. W. Marsh, Detroit, Mich.
Rev. M. H. Day, Rockford, Ill.
Rev. W. T. Thayer, Wallingford, Conn.

Term expires 1917

Rev. C. A. Barbour, Rochester, N. Y.
R. H. Bouslog, Peru, Ind.
Mitchell Carroll, Washington, D. C.
H. E. Cole, Pittsburgh, Pa.
W. C. Coleman, Wichita, Kans.
Rev. R. C. Hull, Summit, N. J.
Rev. H. E. Fosdick, Montclair, N. J.
Prof. Allan Hoben, Chicago, Ill.
C. L. Major, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. C. L. Page, Boston, Mass.
F. A. Ward, Los Angeles, Cal.

Term expires 1918

R. B. Griffith, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
Rev. A. M. Bailey, Peru, Ind.
Rev. F. E. Marble, Cambridge, Mass.
Pres. S. E. Price, Ottawa, Kans.
F. W. Parker, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. W. S. Abernethy, Kansas City, Mo.
O. R. Judd, Brooklyn, N. Y.
E. S. Butler, Boston, Mass.
F. C. Nickels, Minneapolis, Minn.
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4. City Mission Problems (366, 367)

Term expires 1916

Rev. G. W. Ball, Minneapolis, Minn.
Rev. C. A. Brooks, Cleveland, Ohio.
Rev. R. M. West, Newark, N. J.

Term expires 1917

Rev. G. E. Burlingame, San Francisco, Cal.
Rev. E. P. Farnham, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.

Term expires 1918

Rev. S. E. Ewing, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. H. C. Gleiss, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. C. H. Sears, New York City.

5. Conference with Committee of Southern Baptist Convention (366, 367)

Rev. W. C. Bitting, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. Walter Calley, Boston, Mass.
Rev. J. W. Conley, Fresno, Cal.
Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minneapolis, Minn.
J. S. Dickerson, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. F. M. Goodchild, New York City.
Rev. J. F. Herget, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Pres. G. E. Horr, Newton Center, Mass., *Chairman.*
E. L. Tustin, Philadelphia, Pa.

6. Committee to Cooperate with American Bible Society in Arranging for its Centennial (36)

F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.
Rev. M. J. Twomey, Newark, N. J.
E. K. Nicholson, Bridgeport, Conn.

7. Delegates to Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America (366, 367)

Rev. R. A. Ashworth, Milwaukee, Wis., *Secretary.*
F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.
Pres. C. A. Barbour, Rochester, N. Y.
Rev. L. C. Barnes, New York City.
Rev. S. Z. Batten, Philadelphia, Pa.
Prof. W. W. Beman, Ann Arbor, Mich.
Dr. J. A. Bennett, New York City.
Rev. W. C. Bitting, St. Louis, Mo.
W. G. Brimson, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. J. B. Calvert, Irvington, N. Y.
E. S. Clinch, New York City.
Rev. L. A. Crandall, Minneapolis, Minn.
Pres. W. H. P. Faunce, Providence, R. I.
Rev. J. H. Franklin, Boston, Mass.
Rev. F. T. Galpin, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. O. P. Gifford, Brookline, Mass.
Rev. H. B. Grose, Boston, Mass.
Pres. E. A. Hanley, Franklin, Ind.
Justice C. E. Hughes, Washington, D. C.
Rev. E. W. Hunt, Newton Center, Mass.
Rev. A. G. Lawson, Jamaica, N. Y., *Chairman.*
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.
Prof. Walter [illegible], Rochester, N. Y.

8. Denominational Day (366, 367)

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F. W. Ayer, Camden, N. J.
Rev. John Humpstone, Rye, N. Y.
Rev. E. W. Hunt, Newton Center, Mass.
D. P. Leas, Philadelphia, Pa.
Dean Shailer Mathews, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. H. L. Morehouse, New York City.
Pres. L. W. Riley, McMinnville, Ore.
Rev. T. J. Villers, Detroit, Mich.

9. Efficiency of Administration of Cooperating Organizations (366, 367)

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Rev. H. A. Heath, Boston, Mass.
C. T. Lewis, Toledo, Ohio, *Chairman.*
Milton Remley, Iowa City, Iowa.
Rev. F. A. Smith, Elizabeth, N. J.
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10. Evangelism (366, 367)

Term expires 1916

Rev. J. A. Francis, Los Angeles, Cal.
Rev. W. B. Riley, Minneapolis, Minn.
D. C. Shull, Sioux City, Iowa.

Term expires 1917

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Term expires 1918

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R. L. Scott, Evanston, Ill.

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D. C. Shull, Sioux City, Iowa.

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Rev. Wallace Buttrick, New York City.
G. D. Finlay, Montclair, N. J.

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Rev. O. Brouillette, Salem, Mass., French Baptist Conference.
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Rev. Matt. Esselstrom, Chicago, Ill., Finnish Baptist Mission Union of America.
Rev. C. W. Finwall, Chicago, Ill., Norwegian Baptist General Conference.
Sec. F. P. Haggard, Boston, Mass., American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.
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Rev. Antonio Mangano, Brooklyn, N. Y., Italian Baptist Association.
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Rev. Frank Peterson, Minneapolis, Minn., Swedish Baptist General Conference of America.
Rev. K. W. Strelec, Milwaukee, Wis., American Baptist Slavic Union.
Mrs. K. S. Westfall, Chicago, Ill., Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

13. Law

E. S. Clinch, New York City, *Chairman.*
A. L. Abbott, St. Louis, Mo.
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W. W. Douglas, Providence, R. I.
C. T. Lewis, Toledo, Ohio.

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Term expires 1916

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15. Moral and Religious Education (366, 367)

Term expires 1916

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16. Reports of Cooperating Organizations (70, 71)

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17. Social Service (366, 367)

Term expires 1916

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18. State Conventions (366, 367)

Term expires 1916

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19. Transportation (366, 367)

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21. Young People's Work (366, 367)

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MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES BENEFIT BOARD

ACT OF INCORPORATION

Chapter 107 of the Laws of 1913.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES BENEFIT BOARD OF THE NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. William A. Davison, W. Howard Doane, George C. Dutcher, Charles A. Eaton, Edwin P. Farnham, Clarence M. Gallup, Frank M. Goodchild, Arthur M. Harris, Edward H. Haskell, Luther Keller, Andrew MacLeish, Henry L. Morehouse, Charles H. Prescott, Jr., Eli S. Reinhold, William S. Shallenberger, Charles M. Thoms, Andrew K. Van Deventer, Homer J. Vosburgh, Herbert J. White, Joseph K. Wilson, and Peter C. Wright, and their successors are hereby constituted a body corporate with the name, "The Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board of the Northern Baptist Convention," and under that name shall have perpetual succession and shall have the right, either absolutely or in trust, to purchase or to acquire by gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise, and to sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of, any real or personal property.

SEC. 2. The objects of the corporation shall be to administer its funds for the benefit of worthy Baptist ministers and Baptist missionaries, their wives, or widows, and their dependent children, either directly or through the medium of related organizations; to cooperate with such organizations in securing, so far as practicable, uniformity in the methods for the extension of such aid, to promote interest in the better maintenance of the ministry, and to adopt such measures to these ends as may be recommended by the Northern Baptist Convention.

SEC. 3. The twenty-one incorporators named in Section 1 of this act shall be so divided at their first meeting that seven shall serve for three years, seven shall serve for two years, and seven shall serve for one year, and each shall serve until his successor is chosen, and as these respective terms expire seven shall be appointed by the Northern

Baptist Convention to serve for three years, and said convention shall have also the power to fill vacancies caused by death, resignation, or otherwise.

SEC. 4. The body hereby corporated may elect or appoint such officers as to it may seem proper, and, subject to the confirmation of the Northern Baptist Convention, said body may adopt such by-laws or regulations in relation to its organization, to the management and disposition and sale of its real or personal property, to the duties and powers of its officers, and to the management and conduct of its corporate affairs as it shall think proper, provided such by-laws or regulations are not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or of this State. It shall present a written annual report to the Northern Baptist Convention at each of its annual meetings, and the said convention shall have the power to instruct the body hereby incorporated in respect to its general policies.

SEC. 5. Meetings of the corporation may be held at such time or times and at such place or places in the United States as the corporation may determine, subject, however, to the right of the Northern Baptist Convention to fix the time and place of any meeting of the corporation.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

BY-LAWS

OF THE MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES BENEFIT BOARD OF THE NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

ARTICLE I

The executive powers of the corporation shall be vested in the twenty-one incorporators and their successors, who shall be called Managers.

ARTICLE II

MEETINGS

The annual corporate meeting shall be held as soon as practicable after the regular annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention at such time and place as may be designated by the Executive Committee of this Board, unless some other time shall be fixed by the Managers on conference with the Executive Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention.

Regular meetings of the Managers shall be held on the second Tuesday in April and November. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, and shall be called at any time on the written request of any two Managers. Written notice of all meetings shall be mailed at least ten days previous to the meeting. Nine Managers shall constitute a quorum for business, and a less number may adjourn to a definite time.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS

SECTION 1. There shall be a President, Vice-president, Executive Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by the Managers.

SEC. 2. The President shall preside at all corporate meetings and at meetings of the Managers, shall appoint committees, except when otherwise provided; and shall exercise a general supervision over the affairs of the corporation.

SEC. 3. In case of the absence of the President or his inability to serve, his duties shall be performed by the Vice-president.

SEC. 4. The Executive Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Managers, shall send notices by mail to them of the times and places of their meetings, shall prepare a docket of business to be transacted at each meeting, shall keep an accurate record of all grants to beneficiaries and of the sums paid to them, shall inform the chairman of each com-

mittee of the names of its members and of the purpose for which it was appointed, and shall prepare the annual report for the Northern Baptist Convention in time for the submission of the report to the Managers before the meeting of the Convention. He shall perform such other duties as the Managers may direct. He shall furnish a copy of the annual report to all the members of the Board.

SEC. 5. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of all proceedings of all meetings in a book provided for the purpose. He shall also send a copy of the minutes of each meeting to every member of the Board.

SEC. 6. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the corporation, keep an accurate account thereof and of the sources from which they were derived and deposit them in the name of the corporation in such banks or other places of deposit as the Finance Committee may designate. He shall have the custody of the corporate seal. Payments to beneficiaries, salaries, and other current expenses shall be made on the direction of the Managers. All other payments shall be made only on the written order of the Finance Committee of the Managers. The Treasurer shall give security by corporate bond for the faithful performance of his duties and in such amount as shall be fixed from time to time by the Board of Managers.

SEC. 7. The President and Executive Secretary are authorized with the written assent of the Finance Committee to execute and deliver in the name of the corporation and under its corporate seal any refunding bond which may be required in order to receive any legacy bequeathed to the corporation and such other instruments as may be required by said Committee in the management of the corporate investments and in the prosecution of the work.

ARTICLE IV

COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. The following committees shall be appointed annually: Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Committee of Accounts, Committee on Applications.

SEC. 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of seven members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to care for the interest of the corporation between the meetings of the Managers, to attend to such other business as may be referred to it. The Committee shall keep a careful record of its proceedings and report to the Board.

SEC. 3. The Finance Committee shall consist of three members. It shall have supervision of the funds of the corporation and of the investments and reinvestments thereof; it shall take measures to secure to the corporation all property and funds devised or given to it. All investments shall be made in such securities as are sanctioned by the laws of New York relating to investments by trustees. At the regular meeting in April and whenever required by the Managers, the Committee shall make a full written financial report.

SEC. 2. The Committee of Accounts shall consist of two members, who shall examine the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer semiannually, and shall make a written annual report to the Managers at the regular meeting in April.

SEC. 3. The Committee on Applications shall consist of five members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to examine and report upon all applications for aid, and to ascertain and report whether the amount of any aid granted should be increased, reduced or discontinued.

ARTICLE V

APPLICATION FOR AID

All applications for aid must be made in writing on such forms as shall be provided by the Managers.

ARTICLE VI

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the Managers, by a majority of the Board voting affirmatively, provided written notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given at a previous meeting, and also that a copy of the proposed change shall have been mailed to each member of the Board at least ten days previous to the meeting.

THE NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION: ITS ORIGIN, PURPOSE, AND FUNCTIONS

An Address to the Convention at its Annual Meeting, May 19, 1915

By Edward S. Clinch, President of the Convention

Seven years have passed since the meeting in 1908 at Oklahoma at which the Northern Baptist Convention was organized, and it may be well worth while to stop to consider the origin of the Convention, whether it has fulfilled the purposes which they had in mind who took part in its tentative organization in Washington in 1907, what has been its influence upon the denominational life, and whether the Convention has justified its formation.

Somewhat divergent as to the methods for consummating their purpose were the views of those who prior to 1907 were persuaded of the necessity for a denominational movement which should be the means for securing a closer cooperation among our National Societies, a unification of our denominational work as far as practicable, and the expression of Baptist thought upon the world-wide or national denominational questions presented from time to time.

More especially during the ten years immediately preceding 1907 was it evident that there existed in the denomination a feeling that there was a divisive force at work which was keeping our great Baptist agencies apart, that there was a serious lack of cooperation between our denominational organizations, that there was a great loss of energy caused by a failure to conserve our forces, and that if there was to be a stoppage of the waste of the spiritual and material power a change in methods or in organization was essential. But there was a wide difference of opinion as to the means to be adopted to secure the ends to be reached. Some were of the opinion that our cooperating organizations could be actually consolidated, and that a single society could carry on the work of all the Societies with greater efficiency and with great economy of time and in overhead charges. Others thought that the existing agencies should, and of necessity would, have to be utilized, and that a consolidation of the Societies could not be consummated, and that harmonization was the end to be sought.

One great organization to do all the denominational work—home mission, foreign mission, and publication—was not suggested first in the twentieth century.

When the announcement was made in America that Adoniram Judson and Luther Rice had become Baptists, a great interest in foreign mission work was aroused, and in 1813 there were formed the Boston Missionary

Society and Missionary Societies in Salem, Haverhill, and Providence. When Luther Rice returned to this country from Calcutta in 1813 he found these Societies in existence, and the Boston Society pledged to the support of Judson.

At a meeting in Boston called to consider the cause of missions, the Baptists in America were urged to unite in their support, and to treat the Boston Society as the parent and general organization. Rice did not regard this proposition with favor. It had not, in his opinion, a national outlook, and was too sectional to satisfy his judgment as to what a general missionary organization should be. He suggested a General Convention of Baptists, with headquarters in the city of Washington, the Convention to engage in home and foreign mission work, and to discharge every function which a national denominational organization should possess, with a cooperating State organization in each State with authority to appoint delegates to the annual meetings of the General Society. This suggestion of Rice was not received with favor by the Boston Baptists, and the difference of views was followed by a controversy which was never settled, and which caused wounds which were never healed.

Rice went South, and such was his fervor for foreign missions that where others had failed he succeeded in arousing great enthusiasm for carrying the gospel into foreign lands. This enthusiasm bore fruit later in the earnest support given to Rice, when, after a return to Boston, he went to Philadelphia, and succeeded in bringing about the organization in 1814 of the General Convention of the Baptist Denomination for Foreign Missions. A persistent opposition to Rice's projects on the part of Baptists, from one part of the country especially, made it impossible for him to carry to consummation his plan for a general national denominational organization. While great emphasis was placed by the General Convention upon its proposed foreign mission work, and its first name implied that it was organized principally, if not solely, for that work, the fact is that under that name, and its second name of the American Baptist Missionary Union, it carried on home mission work, especially among the Indians, down to 1858, when that work was practically transferred to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, which had been organized twenty-six years before, the final transfer being made as late as 1866, when all the real and personal estate of the Missionary Union in Michigan and Kansas and in the Cherokee nation was transferred to the Home Mission Society, and thus ceased all active work of the Missionary Union in Indian missions.

The plan of Mr. Rice embodied essentially what was in the minds of those who eighty years later advocated a consolidation of the Foreign and Home Mission and Publication Societies.

As illustrative of the opposition to the organization of a general denominational society may be cited this statement, by Francis Wayland, who, in his "Notes on the Principles and Practices of Baptist Churches," published in 1857, says (pp. 183, 184): "When State Conventions were first proposed, it was by many believed, and of these I freely confess myself to

have been one, that through them we might establish a general Baptist organization. . . I now rejoice exceedingly that the whole plan failed, and that it failed through the sturdy common sense of the masses of our brethren. . . We look back, at the present day, with astonishment that such an idea was ever entertained."

Were Doctor Wayland living now he might possibly change his mind again and revert to his former attitude, and with equal astonishment query why he ever repented.

Attached to the published minutes of the meeting at Washington in May, 1907, is a statement of the steps during the preceding eleven years which led to that meeting, and which aids a proper understanding of the movement which resulted in the organization of the Northern Baptist Convention.

At the Washington meeting Rev. Dr. William C. Bitting, in an address on "The Need and Value of a General Organization of Northern Baptists," moved the adoption of these resolutions:

Resolved, That we, representatives of Baptist churches, in convention assembled, do hereby declare our belief in the independence of the local church, in the advisory and representative nature of the local and State associations, and our loyalty to the work of our missionary and educational societies, and

Resolved, That we do also affirm our conviction that, in view of the growth of our country and denomination, there is further need of a general body that shall serve the common interests of our entire brotherhood, as the individual church, the district and State associations minister to the interests of their several constituencies.

Doctor Bitting said:

This ministry is clearly defined as purely advisory and representative.

It is high time that we recover from these hoary difficulties, restore the word "denomination" to its place in our polity, and to some definite sense in its application to our Northern Baptists, and give to *all* the churches in twenty-seven States of our Union, and *some* in at least five other States, some visible bond of unity. We want and need some way of coming together simply as Baptists, not as members of societies.

There are denominational functions that societies cannot perform. They are busy with their specific work.

The proposed organization will awaken, express, and stimulate a denominational consciousness.

It will give opportunity for the utterance of denominational opinion. As a denomination, Northern Baptists are dumb. We do not have any means of discovering our denominational opinions, much less of uttering them. Fifty Baptists in a local church, or two thousand in a district association, or one hundred thousand in a State Convention, can speak out; but a million Baptists in twenty-seven States have no tongue.

A. J. Rowland, D. D., in seconding the resolution, said:

But now, while I believe in the formation of a general organization, I believe at the same time that the value and usefulness of such an organization will depend largely, if not altogether, upon the form and

functions given it. What we should aim for in the formation of the [illegible] organization should be to give expression to the activities and aims of Baptists and the unification of Baptists for their enlargement. An outside organization imperfectly related or unrelated to the inside agencies would, it seems to me, fail in both of these particulars.

What I do mean is that the Baptists who are now represented by these different Societies shall combine in a more general organization *on the basis of the membership of the Societies*, and that this organization shall meet in connection with the anniversaries of the Societies to advise with them and to consider and act upon matters of common interest to the denomination and the Christian world at large.

Prof. Shailer Mathews, in an address on "The Functions of the Proposed Organization," said:

[illegible] general assembly; we want no denominational council with power. [illegible] the genius of the Baptist denomination.

So it is quite out of the question that this body which we are now proceeding to erect shall in any sense be a conventional and credal body.

But, positively, one more function of this body is . . . the discussion in open parliament of matters that pertain to our common weal as Baptists.

I say this body shall be a body for discussion, for the agitation of questions which are closely allied to the churches which bear our name.

In the second place, one more function of this body is that it shall be educational, a place where we may come together, and an organization which shall lead to the discussion, before we come together, of questions in which there shall be involved the education of the denominational self-conscience.

But I know this, that if we could have, as we now are likely to have, an organization that shall stand forth in terms of splendid manhood, in terms of experience and social power in its very inception, an organization and proceeding which will be an educational force in our denomination, the discussion will be educational, the information which is to be presented in support of any motion will be educational, and . . . we shall come to a larger appreciation and a larger knowledge of ourselves and of our mission to this great republic and to this greater world.

In the third place, this body will be a place in which the denomination can utter its voice, after careful consideration of the moral and religious significance of great social and other questions which we must, in the name of our Master, face and consider.

In the fourth place, this body will give unity to our great national denominational ambitions. . .

Thus united, all denominational life will lead, in the fifth place, to denominational efficiency; efficiency that shall be borne not of legislation, but of the formulation of a general consensus of opinion. I do not believe that there is any Baptist body or any society that would hesitate to adopt the opinion of the body of the Northern Baptist Convention.

In this spirit can this organization act, and with this spirit I believe that this organization, under God's guidance, shall be the means of doing precisely what in our constitution we are told its object is, to give expression to the sentiment of its constituency upon matters

of denominational import, and of general religious and moral interests; to develop denominational unity, and to give increased efficiency to the efforts for the evangelization of America and for the world.

At the meeting of the Convention at Oklahoma in May, 1908, Vice-president Harry Pratt Judson, in his opening address, said:

> Men are learning to substitute cooperation for subordination, and they in that way have learned to avoid waste and enormously multiply results. The Northern Baptist Convention will never control the Baptist churches. If it attains its end it will be the agency by which the Baptist churches can unify and energize all their common activities at a great saving of force which now goes to waste. We have the men, we have the money, we have the earnest purpose. Let us learn modern efficient organization, whereby we may combine these without loss in doing our part to quicken all the world with the ethical and spiritual motive which Jesus of Nazareth brought to humankind.

Reference has been made to these expressions on the part of those who took part in the movement which led to the organization of the Convention, in order that there may be a clear understanding of what in their opinion was the purpose and what were to be the functions of the Convention.

A Committee of Seven, appointed at the Oklahoma meeting, reported as follows:

> Your Committee, to which was entrusted . . . the duty of conferring with representatives of the several organizations of the denomination on the question of the future relations of those organizations to the Convention, hereby respectfully reports:
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> Conferences were duly held, the representatives of the organizations other than the Convention being as follows:
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> (The Committee then named representatives of the American Baptist Missionary Union, American Baptist Home Mission Society, American Baptist Publication Society, and Baptist Young People's Union of America.) The Committee then continued:
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> This report, unanimously adopted by this Committee, has also the unanimous approval of the above representatives.
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> Your Committee deems it of vital importance to the proper prosecution of the great tasks undertaken by the denomination that its various agencies, at present no less than eight in number, be so coordinated as to act with entire unity. It is the opinion of the Committee that the Northern Baptist Convention is the suitable means of this correlation.
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> The general activities of the denomination are now carried on by eight incorporated Societies. These are entirely independent one of another, and while deriving their support from the denomination at large, are legally independent as a whole. This form of organization, dating as far back as 1814, was a natural outgrowth of circumstances—indeed, there seemed to be no other way at the time to attain the ends in view. . .
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> In these days, however, the old methods are out of date. The general work of the denomination, it is believed, could be more

economically and more effectively rendered under a suitable plan of definite coordination. Such a plan is in accordance with the practice of large business interests to-day, and would command the confidence of laymen, whose support is essential to the prosperity of the work.

In short, the present situation, which is calculated to hamper progress in many ways, is the outcome, not of any one's fault, but of conditions which were originally beyond control. These conditions no longer exist, and it is now, therefore, not only possible, but a duty, to secure an organization which will insure the large results of properly combined effort.

The Committee accordingly presents four resolutions:

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I. That at the earliest practicable date there should be *an organic union* between the various general denominational Societies and the Northern Baptist Convention, to the end that the denomination, through its Convention, may be able to determine a suitable related policy for all its general activities, may establish a single coordinated budget for the same, and may provide adequate funds required by this budget; and to the further end that it may be possible to put the various agencies out of debt and thereafter to keep them out of debt.

II. That a committee of five members be appointed . . . with instructions to confer with the various Societies, with a view to effecting *the union in question*, and to report at the next annual meeting of the Convention.

III. That inasmuch as the time needed to take all the necessary steps toward union may be considerable, it is recommended that there be established a provisional working arrangement between the Convention and such Societies as may consent to the same, whereby financial unity and a central financial policy may be secured for the time-being.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously.

Notwithstanding the membership of the subcommittee which drew the resolution proposed by the Committee of Seven and adopted by the Convention, providing for *an organic union* between the various general denominational Societies and the Northern Baptist Convention, it is not easy to persuade oneself that the subcommittee intended by the use of the words "organic union" to recommend the consolidation of the Convention and the general Societies. This opinion is strengthened by the fact that one of the members of the subcommittee which drew the resolution was the Field Secretary of the Home Mission Society, that another member was the Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Union, and that seven other members of the conference which adopted the resolution were representatives of the Home Mission Society, Missionary Union, and Publication Society, who could not consistently, with the attitude of these Societies toward consolidation, recommend any action which tended toward its consummation.

It seems quite clear that up to this point in the history of the Convention cooperation or coordination was all that was contemplated in its organization. And nothing has occurred since which expresses a purpose to accomplish anything more.

In presenting its report to the Convention at its annual meeting in Portland, Ore., in May, 1909, the General Apportionment Committee said:

It is more than a coincidence that the first resolutions looking toward the adoption of the (Apportionment) plan . . . were introduced at the same anniversaries at which the provisional constitution of the Northern Baptist Convention was adopted. Formerly our missionary work had been done by unrelated or, at best, loosely coordinated voluntary bodies. There was no proper administrative bond, and hence no real unity of effort. There was no general organization to express itself and to represent in itself all the interests and objects of a great Christian body. Simultaneously with the growth of the recognition of the need for such an organization there was developed the desire for better, more comprehensive, more modern and business-like methods of missionary finance. With wealth, influence, and numbers of which we were inclined to boast, with missionary enterprises at home and abroad which have attracted the attention of the world and have been blessed with large fruitage, we had, after all, as a denomination, not begun to appreciate our privileges or measure up to our responsibilities. We needed vision; we needed an objective; we needed to develop a true spirit of cooperation; we needed something to bind us together for a great advance movement which would be worthy of us as a people and add glory to Him who had so signally blessed us in spite of our shortcomings. The Convention brought us together, and the new-old budget-apportionment ideas have given us both incentive and method.

At the same meeting of the Convention there was submitted the report of the Committee appointed by the authority of the Convention given at its meeting in Oklahoma, in 1908, to confer with the general denominational Societies with a view to effecting a union between them and the Convention. The importance of this report and the action taken upon it cannot be overestimated. The report provided a uniform organization for the cooperating organizations, for the preservation of their autonomy, that there should be no organic union between them and the Convention, and for the incorporation of the latter. The unanimous adoption of the report, after all its provisions had been explained, clearly showed that the more than one thousand three hundred delegates were in hearty sympathy with the plan to bring the Convention and the cooperating organizations into the closest union practicable.

The Convention of 1910 was equally important, for there were adopted then the By-laws of the Convention and new By-laws for the cooperating organizations, in which latter was incorporated the important provision that all accredited delegates to the Northern Baptist Convention should be annual members of the cooperating organizations, thus effecting the closest union possible without organic union. The adoption at this meeting of the By-laws of the Convention determined its administrative methods and its relation to its cooperating organizations. While amendments to these By-laws have been made since they were adopted, the plan of organization has not been changed in any substantial respect, and that it is a practical working plan has been clearly demonstrated.

In his opening address at the meeting in Chicago, President Harry Pratt Judson said:

It seemed to many at Oklahoma City that the desired union of the Convention with the Societies, owing to certain legal obstacles, if

not impracticable, would be extremely difficult, and that it should receive, if need be, years of consideration before being consummated. It was the opinion of the chair, however, at that time, that it was not necessary to wait, but that in a voluntary union on a contractual basis all the essential elements of a unified denomination might be obtained, and that questions of a legal character might well be postponed for later consideration. Accordingly, the plan of a voluntary union . . . was drafted, and submitted to the consideration of the Convention at Oklahoma City in 1908, and was there accepted. . . Two years, it seems to me, have been a sufficient test, and have shown that on the whole the essential features are sound. Meanwhile the able and painstaking labors of our legal committee . . . have made it possible for a still closer and simpler union to be effected. The great obstacles to united action have been removed, owing to the loyal and unselfish action of those representing the Societies, and to the earnest desire of the great body of representatives of the churches that hereafter we shall form a united body. .

The foundation principle on which all our united action rests is that the Convention expresses the *voluntary* action of the churches and of the Societies, and that whatever determinations the Convention may reach are necessarily advisory only. Some may wish for a stronger central authority. For myself I regard such aggressive centralization as unnecessary and contrary to the whole history and spirit of the Baptist churches. We do not need to control one another; we do need simply to learn the wholesome spirit of united action. It is that spirit which has made the last two years so thoroughly successful in our financial matters; it is that spirit which will make the coming years increasingly filled with success and with power. When we forget the independence of the individual church, and the right of each individual church-member to the soul liberty which Roger Williams so eloquently portrayed and so nobly advocated in his life, then we forget the cardinal principles which make the Baptist churches worth while. When on the other hand, we forget that in union there is strength, that therefore we should subordinate personal opinions to the common welfare, and should unite with all our energy for the common purposes in which we are all agreed, then we forget the essential principle which makes modern democratic society possible. Individual and church independence, but union in all common purposes, are at the foundation of the Northern Baptist Convention.

The principles so clearly enunciated in the addresses at the Washington meeting in 1907 and in the reports of Committees and in the addresses of President Judson since then have been carefully observed in all the later work of the Convention.

The principal functions of the Convention are advisory. It may legislate for itself, and also for the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board by virtue of the Act of Incorporation of the latter, and it may also exercise executive powers in respect to both. But in respect to the cooperating organizations it has no legislative powers, and it has no executive powers except such as may be exercised by its Finance and Apportionment Committees, and it has these executive powers only with the consent of the cooperating organizations. Upon the Apportionment Committee the Convention has only one representative, while the cooperating organizations have six, and the city churches, the rural churches,

the State Apportionment Committees, and the executive officers of the State Conventions have each one. The executive power of the Convention over the cooperating organizations exerted through its Apportionment Committee is a negligible power.

The simple scheme for the organization of the Convention preserves the independence of the church, of the cooperating organizations, and of the State Conventions, and in no wise impairs the efficiency of any of them.

The Convention has passed through its experimental stage, and its whole system is working smoothly. It has already accomplished much, and yet it has only begun its work of coordination and cooperation. There are adjustments yet to be made, and many problems remain to be solved.

The Apportionment Plan, founded as it is on sound business principles, continues to justify itself. Under the management of its members, who by their official relations to the cooperating organizations are experts, it will be necessarily administered with the greatest efficiency attainable, although perfect apportionments cannot be secured as long as Association and church statistics remain fallible and there are fluctuations in the financial ability of men and women. Persistent effort must be made to bring all societies, associations, churches, and individuals into harmony with the plan. Education in apportionment principles must be continued until apportionment so commends itself that it will be accepted as the best-devised scheme for the impartial distribution of responsibility for providing the means for carrying on the Lord's work. There is a danger in the apportionment plan due to the fact that it is not infallible, and that is that at times there may be apportioned to churches amounts much less than they are able to and should contribute, when the tendency on the part of such churches would be to limit the amount given to the amount apportioned, but thereby to get the credit for having faithfully discharged a duty imposed, but at the inevitable loss of that self-respect which follows the withholding from God of that which is consciously due to him.

The Convention must not be satisfied with the mere establishment of close relations with its cooperating organizations and with the State Conventions. It must strive, with the aid of these bodies, to realize the highest development of their efficiency.

The Convention is not a narrow body, but a broad institution, and it must deal with large questions in no narrow-minded way, but as men of large vision would deal with them.

We are together now. We are united. Let not time be spent in devising schemes for getting closer together. Let matters rest for a while until time shall demonstrate the wisdom of changes in organization. In our annual gatherings much time must not be given to mere adjustments of machinery; as little time as practicable should be spent over mere questions of procedure. Economy of time should be sought. Reports should be all-sufficient, but as concise as possible without the sacrifice of virility.

The *doing* something worth while should be the constant aim of the Convention.

What has the Northern Baptist Convention accomplished thus far? What can it say in justification of its creation and its continuance?

It has created among the Baptists within its territory a degree of unity that previously had not existed. Its constituency is conscious of a tie that has bound it in a compact body that has demonstrated its strength. It has become the mouthpiece of over one million three hundred thousand Baptists and of over eight thousand churches in respect to great denominational, national, State, and moral questions; it has created a greater interest on the part of Baptists in the questions which concern them; it has brought into greater harmony the cooperating organizations with a resulting increase in efficiency and a greater economy; it has increased the efficiency of the State Conventions, and has brought them into cooperative relations between themselves, with an assurance that with the inclusion by each of all phases of missionary work and methods each State Convention will become the great missionary force in the State and the agent which the cooperating organizations will use in their work in the State, and that all the State Conventions will be raised in importance, and power, and dignity.

It is a fact that the receipts of the cooperating organizations have greatly increased since the organization of the Convention and the appointment of its Finance and Apportionment Committees. That there would have been a natural increase had the Convention not been organized is conceded, but it cannot be denied reasonably that the large increase is due to the Convention and its Finance and Apportionment Committees and the increase in the confidence of the denomination in the management of its finances.

Since the last meeting of the Convention the indebtedness of three of the cooperating organizations, amounting at the close of that meeting to $276,223, has been fully paid without encroaching in any wise upon the budget for the year.

I venture to say that that indebtedness could not have been discharged as it was discharged if it had not been that the Northern Baptist Convention through its Committee engaged in the debt-raising campaign. As efficient as that Committee was, it needed the backing of the Convention to insure the successful outcome of its work.

There was needed for the campaign an agency which no one of the Societies could be, an agency which represented not the Societies, but the denomination, and there was no agency of that character except the Northern Baptist Convention. The campaign illustrated to a remarkable degree the truly representative character of the Convention and its right to speak for and to appeal to the denomination, and the readiness of the denomination to listen to it.

The Convention should set for itself from time to time some definite objective, or possibly as many objectives as can be realized, not within the range of probabilities, but of possibilities—an objective or objectives that

will command the attention of the denomination and interest it to the point of accomplishment. With some definite object in view, the Convention may more certainly do something for the denomination, and eventually point to permanent results accomplished.

The corporate seal of the Convention, which, under its authority, the Executive Committee has approved, presents to us in beautiful form those New Testament truths to which as Baptists we are unreservedly committed. We preach that One is our Teacher and all we are brethren. We call no man father, for One is our Father. Nor do we permit any one to call us master, for One is our Master—the Christ. We shall not seek to exalt ourselves, but with humility shall endeavor to be of service in promoting the kingdom of God. We shall be ever-mindful that our field is the world. We shall stand for the freedom of the individual and the freedom of the church. We shall not fail to recognize the truth that in union there is strength, and that as members of the universal, invisible church, the church that Christ loved and for which he gave himself that he might sanctify it (Eph. 5 : 25, 26), it is our duty and our privilege with good will to do service as unto the Lord wheresoever and to whomsoever the opportunity may offer.

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PREFACE

IN the early part of the last century the position of Baptists in America was not one of great prominence. With little organization, they were widely scattered, and without facilities in those days for easy communication among themselves. The formation of the English Baptist Missionary Society, which had taken place in 1792, and the early efforts of the pioneer missionaries in India had, however, aroused a deep interest in this country, so that considerable money was raised and sent to their aid. The interest thus awakened and fostered was accentuated also by the reading of letters from Dr. William Carey, which appeared from time to time in the *Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Magazine*. When in the early part of 1812 a company of five young men was set apart for service in foreign lands, and sailed from our shores, a deep impression was made upon our Baptist people, although the young volunteers were of another denomination. One of these young men, Adoniram Judson, read his New Testament with great thoroughness during his journey to India, and as a result accepted the Baptist view of baptism and wrote a letter which was received in Boston January 19, 1813, in which he said: "Should there be formed a Baptist Society for the support of missions in these parts, I should be ready to consider myself their missionary." This challenge profoundly stirred the Baptists, so that they began at once to make plans to undertake this work. Luther Rice, having experienced a like change in belief, returned to America to plead the cause of missions among the Baptists, the direct result of his efforts being the organization at Philadelphia, May 21,* 1814, of "The General Missionary Convention of the Baptist Denomination in the United States of America for Foreign Missions," popularly known as the Triennial Convention. It is a significant fact that the call to engage in foreign missionary work was the first thing that led to organization and unity among

* The delegates assembled on May 18, a fact which has led to the erroneous statement frequently made, that the Convention was organized on that date.

the Baptists in the country. In 1845 the southern Baptists withdrew because of a difference of opinion on the slavery question, and in 1846 the name of the society was changed to The American Baptist Missionary Union. The name was again altered in 1910, becoming American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. The headquarters were established at Boston, Mass., in 1826.

The American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, in accordance with action taken at the annual meeting in 1908, has become a cooperating society of the Northern Baptist Convention, agreeing

> (*a*) to regulate its expenditures in accordance with the budget annually approved by the Northern Baptist Convention on recommendation of its finance committee; (*b*) to solicit funds only on approval by the Convention or the finance committee; (*c*) to incur no indebtedness without the approval of the Convention or the said committee; (*d*) to open its books and accounts to inspection by the finance committee and to make such financial reports as the said committee shall request.

The Convention, on the other hand, agrees to aid through its executive and finance committees in raising the funds needed by the Society. This aid has been rendered during the past year through the General Apportionment Committee of the Convention.

BY-LAWS

As Adopted at Annual Meeting, 1910

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

Preamble

[illegible] by means of missions throughout the world, has, pursuant to the power bestowed on it by [illegible] adopted the following bylaws:

ARTICLE I

Membership

Section 1. The membership of the Society shall be composed as follows:

(*a*) Of all persons who are now life members or honorary life members.

(*b*) Of annual members appointed by Baptist churches. Any church [illegible] delegate, and one additional delegate for every 100 members, but no church shall be entitled to appoint more than ten delegates.

(*c*) Of all missionaries of the Society during their terms of service.

(*d*) Of all accredited delegates to each annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention.

Sec. 2. No member shall be entitled to more than one vote.

ARTICLE II

Officers

Sec. 1. The officers of the Society shall be a President, a First Vice-president, a Second Vice-president, a Third Vice-president, a Treasurer, a General Secretary, one or more Home Secretaries, one or more Foreign Secretaries and a Recording Secretary. They shall be elected by ballot at each annual meeting. At any special meeting the Society may elect an Honorary President for life or for such term as they may deem best.

Sec. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society; in the case of his absence or inability to serve, [illegible] who is first in numerical order.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer, the Secretaries and such officers as the Board of Managers may appoint, shall be subject to the direction of the Board, and shall discharge such duties as may be defined by its regulations and rules of order.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall give such security for the faithful performance of his duties as the Board of Managers may direct.

Sec. 5. Each officer shall serve from the close of the annual meeting at which he is elected to the close of the next annual meeting and until his successor is elected.

ARTICLE III

Board of Managers

Sec. 1. The Board of Managers shall consist of twenty-seven persons elected by ballot at an annual meeting. At the meeting at which these by-laws shall be adopted, one third of the managers shall be elected for one year, one third for two years, and one third for three years, to the end that thereafter, as nearly as practicable, one third of the whole number of managers shall be elected at each subsequent annual meeting to fill the vacancies caused by the expiration of terms of office. As many more shall be elected also as shall be necessary to fill any vacancies in unexpired terms.

Sec. 2. The Board of Managers shall meet at the principal office of the Society to organize as soon as practicable after the annual meeting.

Sec. 3. The Board of Managers shall have the management of the affairs of the Society; shall have the power to elect its own chairman and Recording Secretary and to appoint such additional officers and such committees as to it may seem proper, and to define the powers and duties of each; to appoint its own meetings; to adopt such regulations and rules as to it may seem proper, including those for the control and disposition of the real and personal property of the Society, the sale, leasing or mortgaging thereof, provided they are not inconsistent with its Act of Incorporation or its by-laws; to fill all vacancies in the Board of Managers and in any office of the Society until the next meeting of the Society; to establish such agencies and to appoint and remove such agents and missionaries as to it may seem proper by a three fifths

vote of all members present and voting at the meeting when said vote is taken; it being understood, however, that in case of missionaries of the Society, an absolute majority of the Board shall be necessary for suspension, and a two-thirds majority of the whole Board for dismissal; to fix the compensation of officers, agents and missionaries; to direct and instruct them concerning their respective duties; and to make all appropriations of money; and at the annual meeting of the Society, and at the first session of each annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention, to present a printed or written full and detailed report of the proceedings of the Society and of its work during the year.

ARTICLE IV

Eligibility to Appointment

All officers, all members of the Board of Managers and all missionaries must be members of Baptist churches.

ARTICLE V

Annual and Other Meetings

The Society shall meet annually on the third Wednesday in May, unless for some specia reason another time shall be fixed by the Board of Managers on conference with the Executive Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention and with representatives of its other cooperating organizations. The meeting shall be held where the annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention shall be held. Special meetings may be held at any time and place upon the call of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VI

Relations with Northern Baptist Convention

With a view to unification in general denominational matters, the Northern Baptist Convention at each election may present nominations for officers and for the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments

These by-laws may be amended by a two thirds vote of the members present and voting at any annual meeting of the Society, provided written notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given at the preceding annual meeting of the Society, or such amendment shall be recommended by the Board of Managers.

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT
EMORY W. HUNT, D.D., Massachusetts

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT
Rev. WALTER B. HINSON, Oregon

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT
Rev. JOHN B. SMITH, Iowa

THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT
W. C. OREM, Utah

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY
WILLIAM B. LIPPHARD

ASSOCIATE SECRETARY
GEORGE B. HUNTINGTON

TREASURER
ERNEST S. BUTLER

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Recording Secretary, George B. Huntington

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Carl E. Milliken, Island Falls, Me.
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William T. Sheppard, Lowell, Mass.
Frederick E. Taylor, D.D., Indianapolis, Ind.
C. M. Thoms, Rochester, N. Y.

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Rev. A. C. Baldwin, Rochester, N. Y.
Henry Bond, Brattleboro, Vt.
Robert M. Clark, Newton Centre, Mass.
L. A. Crandall, D.D., Minneapolis, Minn.
Herbert S. Johnson, D.D., Boston, Mass.
O. R. Judd, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Rev. Maurice A. Levy, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Frank Rector, D.D., Pawtucket, R. I.
Herbert J. White, D.D., Hartford, Conn.

CLASS III. TERM EXPIRES 1918

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New York District (New York and four associations in New Jersey, — East, North, Morris and Essex, Monmouth). Rev. A. L. Snell, 23 East 26th Street, New York, N. Y

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Kanawha District (West Virginia). **Joint District.** John S. Stump, D.D., 1705 Seventeenth Street, Parkersburg, W. Va.

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Special Joint Secretary. A. W. Anthony, D.D., Lewiston, Maine.

GENERAL REVIEW OF THE YEAR

1914-1915

GENERAL REVIEW OF THE YEAR

As in previous years this section of the Annual Report is devoted to a general resume of the work of the entire year. The three departments, Home, Foreign and Treasury are included. It is obvious that owing to limitations of space a large number of details in connection with an enterprise of this character cannot be adequately reported. The work of the missionaries on the field has been treated separately under the section Reports from the Missions, and the report of the Treasury Department is given in detail in the section following.

The General Situation

A survey of the present situation in America viewed as a home base of foreign missions would be exceedingly interesting and helpful. The objection to increasing the length of the printed annual report, however, makes it impossible to include such a survey. Nevertheless a few outstanding facts may be mentioned. As is well known, the country has gone through a period of serious business depression during the past year. Great multitudes have been without employment and many others have experienced a large shrinkage in income. Furthermore the economic effects in America of the European war, while not as disastrous as was anticipated, have nevertheless been quite severe. Local industrial and social disturbances have also been more pronounced than in previous years, so much so as to influence the entire country.

On the other hand it is also true that the effect of certain favorable tendencies and conditions has been equally noticeable. Religious revivals have been observed in various sections of the country. Public conscience has been aroused to a higher degree, and there are evidences on every side of an awakening national moral sentiment. The influence of the prohibition movement in Europe has profoundly affected America. It is observable also that the emphasis in American thought is shifting from materialism to spiritual reality. Again history is repeating itself in that

periods of financial depression inevitably give rise to more sacrificial giving. The war, especially in its appeal for aid for the stricken Belgians has opened streams of benevolence that have heretofore been tightly closed.

As was expected a situation such as this throughout the country has profoundly influenced the work of foreign mission societies. The spiritual awakening has resulted in greater interest in the missionary enterprise. The treasuries of the different boards have benefited by the new stimulus to benevolences. Furthermore the failure of so-called Christian civilization in Europe has made thoughtful men everywhere, realize that only the universal spread of pure Christianity can furnish the foundation for a lasting international peace. That the Society has been benefited by this situation is evident. The increase in financial receipts from the churches, in addition to the $182,000 raised during the year to pay an accumulated indebtedness is sufficient indication that the Baptists of America are still loyal to the enterprise which Adoniram Judson inaugurated one hundred years ago.

Raising the Deficit

This Society, together with the Home Mission Society and the Woman's Foreign Mission Society, at the close of the fiscal year, March 31, 1914, reported a total accumulated indebtedness of $276,223.36. Two committees undertook during the course of the year to raise this combined deficit. The Baptist United Missionary Campaign Committee, of which General Secretary Hunt was chairman, succeeded by the time of the Convention in securing cash and pledges amounting to approximately $57,000. About $100,000 additional in subscriptions was secured at the Wednesday morning session of the Judson Centennial, half of this amount being donated by Mr. John D. Rockefeller. A second committee of which Mr. F. W. Ayer of Philadelphia was Chairman, Secretary Charles L. White of the Home Mission Society was Secretary and Treasurer Ernest S. Butler of the Foreign Mission Society was Treasurer, was then appointed, and after a vigorous campaign throughout the entire constituency and under the inspiration of a conditional pledge from Mr. Rockefeller, amounting to $50,000, not only was the entire deficit raised by January 1st, 1915, but there was also a sufficient surplus to cover

all necessary expenses and leave a slight balance. Great credit belongs to all who were instrumental in undertaking successfully this herculean task.

The Financial Outcome

The fiscal year ending March 31, 1915, closed with a deficit of $33,161.07. This result is not disheartening when considered in the light of all the facts. Several outstanding encouraging features should be mentioned. There was a total increase in income amounting to $36,087.98 of which $33,946.53 came from the churches. Compared with a loss of $56,839.59 from the same source last year, this indicates a noteworthy gain. Gifts from individuals decreased $4,688.25. The increase in donations for the previous year, therefore, totals $29,258.28. The receipts of the year were also increased by the opportune sale of certain properties on the foreign field. On the other hand, in addition to the decrease in gifts from individuals, there was also a loss in receipts from matured annuity bonds and legacies amounting to $14,993.93. Over these items, however, the Board has no control. Compared with the previous year the total expenditures were increased only $3,000. The amount authorized in the budget for the year by the Convention was exceeded by only $2,000. In calculating both these amounts no account has been taken of designated gifts over which the Board has no control. These are relatively insignificant amounts in view of the tremendous demands made, some of these demands growing out of war conditions. The deficit, therefore, may be said to be due to decrease in receipts from individuals, matured annuities and legacies, to the slight increase in expenditures over the budget, and to the insufficient increase in donations to provide for the expenditures authorized by the Convention at the beginning of the year. Nevertheless in view of the large indebtedness raised during the year, and taking into consideration the general financial and economic conditions throughout the world, the outcome of the year is indeed remarkable.

The Budget for 1915-1916

Considerable publicity has already been given to some features of the preliminary estimates or budget for the new year, par-

ticularly the reduction that seemed necessary in foreign field appropriations. The increase in income over that of the preceding year, especially the gain in receipts from churches, considered alone might have justified a material increase over the figures of the preliminary budget. Two factors, however, combined to make it inexpedient, in the judgment of the Board after prolonged and prayerful consideration, to add to the total authorized expenditures for the new year. The first of these considerations is the debt which must not be ignored and which of itself would absorb practically the entire gain in the gifts of the churches. The second consideration is based on a restudy of the several sections of the income, in some of which reductions beyond what were originally anticipated appear certain. Under these circumstances, the Board came most reluctantly to the conclusion that the total figures of the preliminary budget must be adhered to in the main. A relatively slight but intrinsically vital measure of relief on the field is secured by the transfer to foreign field appropriations of $10,000 saved from home expenditures. This is made possible by the retirement of General Secretary Hunt, Foreign Secretary Baldwin and Vice-treasurer Barnes. This transfer permits the return of about six or eight missionary families out of thirty-seven whose furloughs have expired. The successful outcome of the present campaign to raise the deficit would naturally afford further relief. A full summary of the new budget is included in the Report of the Treasurer. In adopting a final budget upon this reduced basis, the Board are fully persuaded that only by such a policy may the Society be safeguarded from the condition of chronic indebtedness which has characterized the past years. They also believe that they are acting in accordance with the wishes of the denomination as expressed through the Northern Baptist Convention and its Finance Committee.*

Effect of Reduced Appropriations on the Foreign Field

Attention is called a little further on in this report to the undermanned and under-equipped condition of the mission fields.

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*NOTE. — The budget for 1915–16 as indicated above was approved by the Finance Committee and by the Convention. Subsequently, the Convention passed a resolution requesting the Finance Committee to authorize the increase of expenditures of the Society by $100,000. At the time this final edition of the report goes to press the Board have agreed upon the adjustment of this increase, subject to the approval of the Finance Committee.

When it becomes necessary, with the fields already so sorely depleted, to make a schedule of appropriations which is practically $90,000 less than the appropriations made for the same fields and work a year ago, it requires no argument to prove that the effect will be disastrous. The one great problem of the moment is to distribute the reduction in such a manner as to produce the least harmful results. The Board are convinced that a pro rata reduction applied to all fields and work indiscriminately is the least satisfactory method of meeting the situation. Yet there is not time for the correspondence with the fields that would be necessary if any other method of reduction were to be adopted. The Board have reluctantly come to the conclusion, therefore, that unless there should be a large increase in receipts during the current year which would make it possible to restore the reductions now made, it will be necessary to take steps looking toward a discontinuance of appropriations for some fields or sections or departments of work. For the present the only possible course seems to be substantially that outlined in statements published in the denominational press earlier in the year when the possibility of such a condition as now exists was foreseen.

The first effect of the reduction, therefore, will be the detention in this country for another year of all but a very few, perhaps six or eight, missionary families, out of the thirty-seven now on furlough who would naturally return to the field during the coming summer or autumn. The saving in home expenditures, effected by the retirement of Secretaries Hunt and Baldwin and Vice-treasurer Barnes, is the chief factor in making it possible to send out six or eight missionaries to relieve a few of the most desperate cases of need on the field. The second effect of the reduction is that, with possibly one exception, no new missionaries can be sent to the field this year, notwithstanding the fact that at least ten young men are already under appointment and ready to go to places where they are urgently needed for the relief of over-burdened workers and to satisfy obligations entered into with other mission bodies. The third effect is the reduction to zero of the building fund that has been regularly included in the budget in recent years, which means that not one of the greatly needed residences, school buildings, hospitals or chapels can be built this year unless designated gifts are received for such purpose

in addition to the regular budget. The fourth effect is a reduction of ten per cent. in appropriations for work in European countries in this time of their extreme distress. The fifth effect, and perhaps the most serious of all, is a reduction of approximately eighteen per cent. amounting to about $45,000 in the appropriations made to the missionaries for their evangelistic, educational and other forms of missionary work and for the care of property. This means among other things that the touring of the missionaries must be decreased, that grants to native churches must be diminished, preachers and teachers dismissed or compelled to work at reduced salaries, aided pupils, many of them preparing for Christian service, sent home from mission schools, possibly the abandonment of preaching stations and the closing of schools. In brief, the effect of reduced appropriations on the foreign field will be that the missionaries and native Christians must limit their activities and will be discouraged because of the lack of interest and support in the home churches and that the accomplishment of the great task, which our Master has committed to us, and particularly to the workers out on the frontier, of evangelizing the non-Christian peoples and of establishing among them the kingdom of God will be hindered and delayed.

Home Expenditures

There is apparently much discussion throughout the constituency regarding the home expenditures of the Society. It is deeply regrettable that in connection with this discussion many erroneous statements have been circulated. In order that the facts may be known an exhaustive study of the subject has recently been made. The results of this study are published in a separate section following this General Review. The section has also been reprinted in pamphlet form for additional distribution.

Humanizing the Budget

The attitude of the Board toward specifics or designated gifts, and the formation of personal bonds between the churches and the field does not appear to be generally understood. It has been thought by some that in the official correspondence this form of donation is discouraged, or, at least, is not encouraged. Some have expressed the fear that the "budget" and the "apportion-

ment" have been emphasized to such a degree that the work has been, as they express it "depersonalized" and "dehumanized," that "the element of human interest" has been lost because there does not appear to be maintained a sufficiently close connection between donors at home and workers on the field.

These misconceptions probably spring from two sources. In the first place the Board believe that to make a specific gift *outside of the budget* is unwise if it results in the sacrifice of the more important to the less important, or the doing of work out of harmony with the plans of the missionaries and the Board. Whenever it appears, however, that a special gift will not deflect funds which should form the regular offerings or will accomplish some greatly needed work, it is always welcomed.

The other cause for the misconception lies in the fact that the Board have not pressed upon the churches the plan which has been very carefully worked out for specific giving within the budget. The reason for this is that while this plan is admirably adapted for certain cases, and is always suggested to those churches and organizations making request for a closer connection with the field, the Board recognizes the fact that a very large section of our constituency does not at all believe in this method of giving. They sincerely feel that all gifts should be made toward the general funds of the Society and that to encourage our people to give largely on the basis of sentiment and in return for benefits received, in the way of letters and photographs, is bound, sooner or later to react unfavorably. Through *Missions* and other publications as well as by means of public addresses of missionaries and officers the Society is constantly giving full and detailed information about the progress of the work in foreign lands. Wherever churches will make use of this information as a basis for giving, it is surely better to do so, for there are many needs on the field which must be provided for from a general fund which are not of a nature to be easily parceled out to individuals.

The Board are glad, however, to have any church or organization, which can increase its missionary giving by so doing, take a special object toward which to contribute. For this purpose the Station Plan was inaugurated about thirteen years ago and has been advantageously used ever since to give to a steadily increasing number the personal interest in the work of which so

many feel the need. Even now suggestions are being worked out for the larger development of this plan. Quarterly News Letters from mission stations and special information about particular work and workers can be used to bring the contributor into direct touch with the object supported. Nearly ninety "shareholders," under the Station Plan, have been added during the past year, making a total of 637 contributors, of whom 100 are supporting missionaries, either wholly or in part. The other 537 correspondents, including young people's organizations, Sunday school classes and individuals, have taken "shares" of from $10 to $100 in individual stations from which they hear regularly. In many cases these gifts are designated to some specific work in the station chosen such as the care of a boy in school or of a native worker. The support of a missionary by all the organizations of a church working together has proved especially satisfactory. One hundred missionaries, out of 283 available for assignment by the Board, have already been assigned.

The Northern Baptist Convention came into being as a result of the feeling that the work of the denomination lacked organization, that the solicitation of specific gifts had been overdone and that the societies were working at cross purposes in the collection of funds. Now that we have some order there is need, of course, to exercise lest the system shall be overemphasized; but there is just as much need to remember that a vast enterprise like that of foreign missions cannot be conducted largely on the basis of sentiment. A regular budget of expenditure must be provided for before anything else may wisely be undertaken.

The secretaries and the Board believe thoroughly in a humanized budget, in specific gifts and in a plan that will make this work a real part of the life of our churches. They do not believe it is wise to push any plan to an extreme. Furthermore they consider it highly important to look not simply on the things of ourselves, but also on the things of others and to remember the needs of other causes, greatly multiplied in number. There is no gain in "robbing Peter to pay Paul." It is impossible for one organization in a denomination to work in a radically different way from the others, for our work is a unity and as a people we must work as one body. "A house divided against itself cannot stand."

Annuity Bonds

The advantages derived from the possession of an annuity bond issued by the Society are becoming more and more recognized, with the result that the Society receives each year a larger amount in return for annuity bonds. Last year bonds were issued to the amount of $206,182.50. Upon the decease of the annuitants or their beneficiaries this amount will automatically be released for the work of the Society. Thus it will be seen that annuity bonds represent an unusually fruitful source of income. The donor receives an assured income during his life and has the satisfaction of knowing that upon his death his gift will be used in extending the work of the Society. Plans are being made to develop more systematically this source of the Society's income during the coming year. Of course the amount of money which is released during the course of a single year can never be accurately estimated in advance. The decline in receipts from this source during the past year accounts partly for the deficit. There is, however, one element of certainty—every dollar represented by an annuity bond at some future time will be released for the Society's work.

The Judson Centennial

The most noteworthy event of the year was the Judson Centennial. Under the direction of the Judson Centennial Commission, one of the greatest educational campaigns in the history of the denomination was conducted in the effort to reach every Baptist church, Sunday school and young people's society. In this campaign the Literature Department of the Society and the Department of Missionary Education cooperated. Five books were issued by the American Baptist Publication Society especially for this campaign: "Judson the Pioneer," by J. Mervin Hull; "Ann of Ava," by Ethel D. Hubbard; "The Immortal Seven," by James L. Hill; "Following the Sunrise," by Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery; and "Jesus Christ's Men," a missionary drama by Mrs. Caroline Atwater Mason. This was produced in Boston during the week of the Convention under the title "An Adventure of Faith." In addition to the books, a number of pamphlets were issued dealing especially with Judson's work and the work of the Society. Two new sets of stereopticon slides were put into circulation entitled

"The Story of Judson" and "A Century of Missionary Achievement." A lecture tour by Dr. Edward Judson, the son of the pioneer, proved of great inspirational value. Another feature of the campaign was the issuing of centennial medals. Special forms of missionary work were arranged for the young people's societies, and the awarding of prize libraries to the churches making the best record was a feature of the exercises at the Convention.

The Judson Centennial tour was another important feature of the campaign, two parties being sent out to assist in the celebrations in Burma, and, under the guidance of missionaries, to visit the various fields and view the results of the Society's work. At the Convention in June Rev. Frank W. Goodchild, D.D., and Rev. William A. Hill, members of the Judson party, told of their experiences.

The big celebration occurred at Rangoon, Burma, on December 10 and 11, 1913. A large number of visitors, including the Judson party and representatives from other missions, were present at the exercises. The presence and participation of the Lieutenant-Governor of Burma gave the event an added importance. A complete account of the celebration with all the addresses in full has been issued by the Baptist Mission Press of Rangoon in the form of a book of 176 pages, which was largely the product of native labor. In Boston and other cities prayer meetings were held simultaneously with the meetings in Burma.

The celebration in America occurred on the last two days of the Northern Baptist Convention, June 24 and 25. On the first day occurred the Judson Centennial and on the second day the centennial of the Foreign Mission Society. On Wednesday afternoon, interesting addresses were delivered by O. P. Gifford, D.D., Nathan E. Wood, D.D., and also by Adoniram B. Judson, M.D. and Edward Judson, D.D., sons of the pioneer. The sending out of the missionary volunteers together with an address by W. C. Bitting, D.D. formed the evening program. On Thursday the presence and addresses of missionaries from all the fields of the Society gave added interest to the occasion, and the presence of representatives from twenty-six other missionary organizations testified to the spirit of fellowship at the present time among missionary bodies of all denominations. An inspiring

address by Dr. John R. Mott brought to a close the most memorable celebration in Baptist missionary history.

In a general review of this nature a complete account of the Judson Centennial is obviously impossible. The reader is referred for further information to the Annual Report for 1914, the Northern Baptist Convention Annual for 1914; the special Judson Centennial Volume, published by the American Baptist Publication Society and giving a complete account of the entire Centennial; also the Judson Centennial volume published in Burma.

Death of Edward Judson

It is with deepest sorrow that we record the death of Edward Judson, D.D., who passed away on October 23, 1914. Those who attended the memorable Centennial celebration in Boston on Wednesday afternoon, June 24, will never forget the tremendous ovation given this eminent son of an illustrious father. It was particularly fitting that he should have been unanimously elected by the Society to the office of Honorary President for Life and it is greatly regretted that his term of office should have been so brief. The story of his life is too well known to need recording here. A man of rare Christian character and remarkable spirituality, he was always deeply interested in the work to which his father had given his life. It was therefore singularly appropriate that Edward Judson should have lived to witness the celebration of one hundred years of foreign missionary endeavor which had been inaugurated by Adoniram Judson. Although his untimely departure came so soon after the Society's Centenary, and although it was hastened through grief over the death of his wife a few weeks previous, he doubtless had the joy and the privilege to say, as he reviewed the celebration in Boston, with Simon of old, "Now lettest thou thy servant depart, O Lord, according to thy word, in peace for mine eyes have seen thy salvation."

The Board of Managers

A number of changes have occurred in the membership of the Board of Managers during the year. Owing to ill health Messrs. George C. Whitney and Wellington Fillmore resigned, as did also Rev. Walter Calley, D.D., who was stricken with a severe illness early in the winter which necessitated his going to Hot Springs, Va.,

for recovery. Mr. George E. Briggs and Rev. Charles H. Moss, D.D., presented their resignations because of pressure of other duties. Owing to change of pastorate involving his removal from Boston, Rev. E. P. Tuller, D.D., also resigned. The Board has accepted with deep regret these resignations and in place of these members has elected to membership Attorney William T. Sheppard, of Lowell, Mass.; Rev. Allyn K. Foster, of Worcester, Mass.; and Mr. Robert M. Clark of Newton Centre, Mass.; Mr. Henry Bond has been elected chairman and Mr. George B. Huntington continues as recording secretary. Professor Ernest D. Burton, D.D., has been elected vice-chairman.

Contrary to the custom of previous years, all meetings of the Board during the year have been held in Boston. The attendance of the members has been remarkable. In the recent quarterly meeting there were present twenty-three out of a total membership at that time of twenty-five and throughout the year the members have been faithful to the task committed to them by the denomination. A new standing committee has been called into existence known as the Committee on Ways and Means. This will act in an advisory capacity with reference to the many problems which relate to the financial policies of the Society.

An interesting feature of the Board meetings has been the presence of missionary leaders of other organizations who by invitation have addressed the Board with reference to problems in which the Society has a cooperative interest. In April, 1914, Dr. John R. Mott gave a strong presentation of the problems involved in mission comity and cooperation on the field based on the findings of the conferences he had conducted in the Far East. Mr. Sam Higginbottom at another meeting discussed the imperative need of agricultural training in connection with mission work in India. At a later meeting Rev. Joseph Beech, D.D., President of West China Union University, presented the work and recent developments of that institution. At all meetings of the Board the presence of missionaries on furlough has helped the members realize that the foreign mission enterprise dealt with human personalities as well as with financial figures and spiritual forces.

Changes in Secretarial Staff

The denomination through the denominational press was

informed of the proposal of General Secretary Emory W. Hunt, and Foreign Secretary Arthur C. Baldwin to sever their official relations with the Society. For purposes of record the following announcement which appeared in the papers March 18, 1915, is reproduced herewith:

A Reduction in Home Expense

Recent announcements in the denominational papers and through other channels have acquainted the denomination with the fact that the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society is facing a serious financial situation. The possibility that it might be necessary for financial reasons not only to send out no new missionaries the coming year, but even to retain at home most of those now in this country on furlough and to reduce appropriations for the maintenance of the work of those on the foreign fields has given both the members of the Board of Managers and officers of the Society and denomination at large the gravest concern.

Early in January when the full gravity of the situation first became clear General Secretary Hunt and Foreign Secretary Baldwin presented a letter to the Committee on Ways and Means, in which, referring to the fact that they were the latest additions to the secretarial staff, they offered in a spirit of most generous self-effacement and loyalty to the work of the denomination to place their resignations at the disposal of the Board.

Since the reception of this letter, the Board of Managers have given prolonged and prayerful consideration to the whole problem. On the one hand they were most reluctant to dispense with the valuable services of these brethren who have given themselves with devotion and earnestness to the work of the Society and whose knowledge acquired even in their comparatively short period of service is a valuable asset to the denomination. On the other hand they could not ignore the urgent call created by the needs of the field and the grave results of leaving mission stations without missionaries or with an inadequate staff, and of forcing those who were on the field to carry on their work at the disadvantage of serious lack of equipment. It is impossible in a brief statement to give an adequate impression of the gravity of the situation as it presented itself to the Board in detail.

Confidently hoping that the denomination will respond to the needs of the situation as enforced by conditions on the field, the Board, facing all the facts at home and abroad, were forced to the conclusion that it was imperatively necessary to exercise the utmost economy in home administration.

At the quarterly meeting of the Board of Managers held in Boston March 10 and 11, after conference with the secretaries and prolonged consideration of the matter in all its phases the Board with great reluctance and regret voted that it was in their judgment necessary to avail themselves of the generous offer of Dr. Hunt and Mr. Baldwin to present their resignations.

On behalf of the Board of Managers,

HENRY BOND, *Chairman.*
ERNEST D. BURTON, *Vice-chairman.*

At the meeting of the Board of Managers on April 14, 1915, the resignations of General Secretary Hunt and Foreign Secretary Baldwin were presented and accepted with deep regret. The following resolutions regarding their services were passed:

Whereas, Dr. Emory W. Hunt and Rev. Arthur C. Baldwin have presented their resignations as General Secretary and Foreign Secretary of this Board respectively, and

Whereas, they have with great magnanimity taken this action upon their own initiative in view of the depressed financial condition of our work, therefore be it

RESOLVED: First, that we regretfully accept their resignations;

Second, that we place upon the permanent records of this Board our sincere appreciation of their loyal and hearty service and of their splendid devotion to the foreign missionary work of our denomination and of their exemplary Christian character.

By this action the Society loses two able leaders; the other officers will miss two faithful friends and colleagues whose valuable counsels have helped solve many common problems; and the missionaries will lose two helpful co-laborers in the great work of the Kingdom. On May 1, 1915, Dr. Hunt began his work as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Newton Center, Mass., and on May 15, Mr. Baldwin assumed the pastorate of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, Rochester, N. Y. Another executive officer terminating his connection with the Society is Mr. John F. Barnes. After thirty-nine years of faithful service in the Treasury Department he retired March 31, 1915, from the office of Vice-treasurer which he had held since 1911. At the meeting of the Board on April 14, 1915, Assistant Secretary George B. Huntington was appointed Associate Secretary in the Foreign Department and, since the retirement of Mr. Baldwin, has definite responsibility for the work in the British India fields pending further action by the Board.

Field Service of Executive Officers

In addition to the routine office work all of the executive officers have spent a large amount of time in public service of a varying nature. Countless churches have been visited and the work of the Society presented from the pulpit. Membership on committees and missionary organizations of an interdenominational character has also been a part of their duties. A large amount of time has

been given to various campaign movements. The Treasurer, E. S. Butler, represented the Society at a recent campaign in Michigan and at the Laymen's Missionary Movement summer conference at Lake Geneva, Wis. Assistant Secretary Huntington gave an annual course of lectures on Missions in the Gordon Training School. Foreign Secretary Franklin prior to his departure for China had practically every Sunday engaged in one or more churches, while Foreign Secretary Baldwin has devoted a large amount of time to itineraries through the Middle West and the Eastern states presenting the work of the Society. General Secretary Hunt, by reason of his office, has spent the most of his time in the field and has been in constant demand at public services devoted to the cause of missions. In addition he was appointed President of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America for the year 1915. The work of Home Secretary Haggard requires close attention to the office. Nevertheless he is obliged to spend a considerable portion of his time in the field, visiting churches, attending committee meetings and conferences and looking after various interests of the Society. He continues his relation to the Home Base Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference and to the Missionary Education Movement. Assistant Secretary Lipphard, in addition to pulpit work in various churches, conducted one of the training classes at the Missionary Education Movement Conference at Silver Bay, New York. The requests that come for deputation speakers, both secretaries and missionaries, are always more than can be filled.

District Secretaries

Only two district secretaries give their whole time to the work of the Society, — Rev. A. L. Snell in the New York District and Rev. F. S. Dobbins in the Southeastern District. During the year the Board united with the Home Mission Society in a plan which makes former District Secretary Rider joint secretary for the two societies in the states of California, Arizona, Utah and Nevada, to be known as the South Pacific District. Alonzo M. Petty, D.D., has been appointed joint secretary for the North Pacific District, comprising Washington, Oregon and Idaho. He enters upon his duties in August.

Rev. I. N. Clark, D.D., for twenty-eight years the representa-

tive of the Society in the Southwestern District retired during the year at the age of eighty-one. Though preserving much of his old time vigor it did not seem wise for him to undertake the work of the joint secretaryship which it was thought best to establish in this district in cooperation with the Home Mission Society. Too much cannot be said in praise of Dr. Clark's faithful ministry and his untiring efforts on behalf of the work. Rev. G. W. Cassidy, D.D., was chosen joint secretary for the Southwestern District in December, 1914, and has entered enthusiastically into his work which will cover the states of Kansas, Colorado and Wyoming. He will also represent the Socicties in Oklahoma in so far as the new relationship of that state to the Southern Baptist Convention may render necessary.

Rev. C. A. Cook, D.D., who has served as joint secretary in the Yellowstone District since its organization in March, 1909, gave up his work March 31, 1915. The establishment of this district was an experiment as it contained relatively few churches for so large an area and its maintenance did not seem justified. Dr. Cook, however, did most faithful work that is bearing good fruit. He is highly esteemed and appreciated by the two Boards and the constituency in his territory. He reenters the pastorate.

No new state collecting agencies have been established during the year. Discussion of this method of cultivation and collection has gone on apace, however, and in December, 1914, a joint conference between the state secretaries and representatives of the societies was held in Cleveland, Ohio, at which the question was thoroughly considered. A paper expressive of the attitude of the societies on the matter was, by request, read by the Home Secretary of this Society.

At the present time the following constitute the district and state agents of the Society: Representing the Foreign Society only: Rev. A. L. Snell and Rev. F. S. Dobbins. Representing the Foreign and Home Societies: John S. Stump, D.D.; Frank Peterson, D.D.; Rev. Charles E. Stanton; J. Y. Aitchison, D.D.; G. W. Cassidy, D.D.; Rev. A. W. Rider. Representing the Foreign, Home and Publication Societies: Rev. P. H. J. Lerrigo, M.D. State Collecting Agents representing all interests: Rev. E. M. Lake, Michigan; S. E. Wilcox, D.D., Iowa; H. E. Truex, D.D., Missouri; Rev. H. R. MacMillan, Wisconsin; Wilson Mills, D.D.,

Nebraska. Representing Baptists and Free Baptists: Alfred Williams Anthony, D.D.

Deputation Work

The deputation work of the missionaries on furlough has been done in accordance with a carefully planned campaign drawn up at the beginning of the year. The missionaries have taken temporary residence this year in various sections throughout the country, more so than in previous years, and this has resulted in a more equitable distribution of deputation workers. Their work has been remarkable both because of the willingness and enthusiasm which they displayed and because of the extent and value of the service rendered. It should always be remembered that the primary object of furloughs is to enable the missionary to enjoy a much needed period of rest and recuperation preparatory to his return to the field. Consequently any deputation service which he may render is always worthy of commendation. The expense of the work is, in so far as possible, reduced to a minimum because the missionary usually confines his engagements to the district in which he has made his home during furlough; while the value of such service in promoting interest and beneficence among the churches is beyond financial computation.

The following missionaries have engaged in deputation work during the year, for the most part under the direction of the Home Department and in accordance with itineraries and engagements arranged by the district secretaries: Rev. William Axling, Miss M. W. Bacheler, M.D., Rev. J. M. Baker, Rev. H. B. Benninghoff, Rev. Wheeler Boggess, Rev. Walter Bushell, Rev. C. E. Chaney, Rev. H. P. Cochrane, J. E. Cummings, D.D., Rev. A. H. Curtis, Rev. A. C. Darrow, Rev. C. L. Davenport, D. S. Dye, Rev. W. T. Elmore, Ph.D., F. H. Eveleth, D.D., J. M. Foster, D.D., Rev. P. Frederickson, Prof. David Gilmore, J. F. Gressitt, G. H. Hamlen, D.D., Rev. F. W. Harding, Thomas Hill, Rev. H. W. Kirby, M.D., Rev. R. B. Longwell, M. C. Mason, D.D., Rev. S. R. McCurdy, Rev. Thomas Moody, Rev. S. E. Moon, Rev. William Pettigrew, W. H. Roberts, D.D., Rev. B. E. Robison, Rev. Charles Rutherford, Prof. H. E. Safford, Rev. E. O. Schugren, Jacob Speicher, D.D., Rev. L. W. Spring, Rev.

H. H. Tilbe, Ph.D., Rev. A. F. Ufford, Rev. L. F. Wood, Rev. L. E. Worley, Rev. H. E. Wyman.

The work of some of the missionaries because of its special nature is worthy of additional mention. Rev. F. W. Harding spent six weeks with the Delaware Avenue Baptist Church of Buffalo, of which he is the foreign pastor, for a special missionary campaign. Through mission study classes, addresses, sermons, stereopticon lectures, personal interviews and calls he succeeded in bringing the church to a high level of missionary interest and intelligence. Mr. Harding also delivered the annual course of lectures on missions at the Colgate Theological Seminary at Hamilton, N. Y. Rev. H. B. Benninghoff has done almost continuous deputation service throughout the year in the middle West and in the eastern section of the country. Unsolicited testimonies have paid high tribute to his work. He has done much in his addresses to counteract the pernicious influence of sensational journalism with reference to international relationships between the United States and Japan. In addition to other work Rev. Jacob Speicher because of his familiarity with the language has rendered most acceptable service among the German Baptist churches and it is gratifying to note their increase in contributions. Rev. J. M. Baker has travelled extensively in the interests of the proposed Clough Memorial Hospital at Ongole, South India, although in calling attention to this urgent need, he has not failed to lay primary emphasis upon the general work of the Society. Perhaps the record for deputation service belongs to Rev. W. T. Elmore, Ph.D., who during a recent itinerary delivered 123 addresses within a period of less than three months.

Student Volunteer Campaign

The fiscal year ending March 31, 1914, closed with an enormous accumulated deficit, thereby making possible the sending of only a relatively small number of new appointees to the field during the past year. In view of this situation the Baptist Student Volunteers in the various educational institutions throughout the country organized, entirely through their own initiative and under their own direction, an extensive campaign for the purpose of stimulating larger interest in the work of the Society. Several of the State Conventions made provision in their programs for

Student Volunteer representatives who presented their appeal, and a great number of the churches have been visited for the same purpose. Aside from a nominal appropriation on the part of the Society these volunteers have provided for their own expenses through collections from churches and contributions from other sources. The officers of the Society and the district secretaries have cooperated with the Volunteers in an advisory capacity only, and it is gratifying to note that their efforts have made such favorable impression upon the churches which have been visited.

Cooperation With Various Home Agencies

The officers and Board, and hence the work itself, continue to profit from their relationship to such helpful interdenominational agencies as: The Laymen's Missionary Movement; the United Missionary Campaign; the Missionary Education Movement; the Committee of Twenty-eight, which is seeking to unify and harmonize the educational plans of the mission boards, home and foreign, general and woman's; the Student Volunteer Movement; the Foreign Missions Conference; the Foreign Missions Commission of the Federal Council and other bodies. The Society is also vitally related to other denominational organizations through the Department of Missionary Education, Rev. J. M. Moore, D.D., Secretary: the Publication Committee of *Missions*, the General Apportionment Committee, the Baptist United Missionary Campaign Committee and the Sunday School Cooperating Committee. To those unfamiliar with the details of this vast missionary enterprise these organizations and committees may seem unnecessary, but each is really required to secure greater cooperation and efficiency and through them all the work of the Society is much more easily and economically done. There is not so much detail and machinery connected with them as might at first appear.

The Department of Missionary Education

For eight years this department has been under the leadership of Secretary John M. Moore. It acts as a general clearing-house for missionary information and education. The office is located in New York City and the work of the department is becoming more and more important and valuable. As an indication of its value the following standard of missionary education in the

local church may be mentioned. This program is recommended to the churches and the department will give every possible assistance in helping to carry it out successfully.

1. A church missionary committee.
2. The presentation of missions from the pulpit.
3. A mission study class or classes.
4. Missionary programs.
5. The circulation of missionary literature — including a club for *Missions*.
6. A woman's missionary organization.
7. Missionary education in the Sunday school.
8. The promotion of Prayer for Missions.
9. Enlistment for missionary service in local work and as a life work.
10. An annual every member canvass for weekly offerings.

During the past year the department has cooperated largely in the work of the United Missionary Campaign and has devoted special attention to the subject of missionary efficiency in the local associations and churches. This department also develops the campaigns for the different societies, and accordingly conducted the Easter campaign for foreign missions on behalf of the two foreign societies. A large amount of material was provided, including graded missionary stories for use during the six weeks preceding Easter and an elaborate Easter program. From reports thus far received this campaign has been conspicuously successful.

For the coming year the department will present material on the general theme adopted by the foreign mission boards of North America, "The Church and the Nations." A new text book has been prepared by Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D.D., under the subject "Rising Churches in Non-Christian Lands," and the campaign to be conducted will be similar to that of a year ago when Dr. Faunce's popular book, "The Social Aspects of Foreign Missions," was the subject of study. In this connection it should be stated that the campaign of last year was one of the most remarkable ever conducted and it is hoped to have even larger success during the coming year.

Baptists and Free Baptists

Rev. A. W. Anthony, D.D., has continued as the special joint secretary for Baptists and Free Baptists. During the process of amalgamating the two bodies it has been absolutely necessary to

have some one act in this capacity and that has proved to be a most happy and helpful arrangement which placed Dr. Anthony in this position. The unanimous choice of his own people, the one who had more to do with the development of plans for union than any other, the Secretary-Treasurer of the General Conference of Free Baptists, which must continue its legal existence for a while longer, he has been most acceptable to Baptists and has rendered a unique service in clearing away difficulties, removing prejudices and in acquainting the members and the churches of the two groups with one another. Dr. Anthony has rendered this service at great personal sacrifice, although willingly and joyfully.

Cooperation With the Woman's Society

As was indicated in the report of last year, the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West have given place to a single organization, representing the women of all the northern Baptist churches. The Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society is now a cooperating society of the Convention and as such has a direct and independent relation to the Convention and its various committees. By agreement, however, the cooperative relationships which have existed in the past between the general society and the woman's societies are continued and it is believed will be strengthened under the new organization. Missionaries of the Woman's Society still receive appointment as missionaries of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, and appropriations for the work of the Woman's Society on the field pass through the treasury of the general society. Frequent conferences have been held with representatives of the Woman's Society during the past year and a permanent joint council has been created, consisting of the officers of the two societies, for the purpose of considering together matters of mutual interest. A joint communication from the two societies was sent recently to all missionaries on the field explaining the mutual relationship and urging the fullest and most sympathetic cooperation between representatives of the two societies.

The Sunday School Cooperating Committee

The Sunday School Cooperating Committee continues its joint work for the Society and the Woman's Society for the preparation

of material for missionary education in the Sunday school and for the development of plans to increase the receipts from this source. It does nothing with reference to the circulation of material and the promotion of the plans, since that feature belongs to the Department of Missionary Education. The financial returns from the Sunday schools for the past year are shown in connection with the Treasurer's report. It should be borne in mind that the value of missionary education in the Sunday school cannot be determined by immediate financial receipts, and the tabulated receipts are therefore not indicative of the work of the committee. The committee holds before it continually the principle that a Sunday school educated along missionary lines today means an educated church tomorrow. The arrangement between the societies with reference to the division of receipts continues as heretofore, namely: — that one-half shall go into the treasury of the Society and one-half into the treasury of the Woman's Society.

Literature Department

While the work of the Literature Department has not been as heavy this year as last year because of the Judson Centennial Campaign, it has nevertheless been conducted with gratifying results. Twenty-five new pamphlets have been issued during the year, all of them being for free distribution. The majority of these were of a campaign nature, while the remainder were descriptive of the work of the Society. They have been widely circulated. In some cases the demand for these on the part of pastors has necessitated two and three editions. The receipts from the sale of literature and other material exceeded those of last year by approximately seven hundred dollars. This is very encouraging, especially when it is remembered that the receipts of last year were almost a thousand dollars more than those of the year previous.

The demand for the stereopticon lectures handled by the Literature Department increases every year. It is evident that pastors and other missionary leaders in the local churches are coming to realize more and more the value of this method of missionary education. A number of the lectures have been revised during the year and new slides included. There are now sixty-five sets in circulation and these have been used more than 550 times during the year. In addition the Literature Department has

circulated also in New England six sets of slides for the Missionary Education Movement. These were special sets prepared for use in connection with the United Missionary Campaign and dealt directly with the general theme of the year, namely: — The Social Force of Christian Missions. During six months these six sets were in use 130 times.

New Literature

Much attention has been given the subject of literature during the past year. The quality and the quantity of literature published and circulated has been limited only by the appropriation which the Board felt justified in making for this purpose. In connection with the Judson Centennial a large number of pamphlets were issued dealing with the life of Adoniram Judson, and more especially with the work of the Society during the first century of its history. More recently a number of other pamphlets of an inspirational character have been published, which have been widely circulated.

The outstanding feature of the year in this connection has been the issuing of *The Bulletin*. For several years a need has been felt for a publication of this character which could be issued from time to time during the year and provide a suitable medium for the circulation of material regarding the Society and its work which ought to reach the constituency. The opening paragraph of the first issue of *The Bulletin* will indicate its purpose, and it is therefore reproduced herewith.

The Bulletin is not a new magazine, nor in any sense a periodical publication. It will in no way compete with *Missions* or with the denominational press in the publication of missionary news. During the course of every year the Society finds it necessary to issue announcements regarding its work, its financial condition, and other matters of interest. These have heretofore been printed in the form of miscellaneous pamphlets. It has been proposed, therefore, for the sake of uniformity and continuity to issue such statements and matters of news hereafter in the form of *The Bulletin*. It will not appear regularly, but only at such times as occasion may arise or contingency may require the issue of a statement or announcement.

The favorable response to the early numbers has been most gratifying, and has fully justified bringing into existence such a

publication. It is planned to make *The Bulletin* an exceedingly valuable medium of publicity, especially for campaign purposes during the coming year.

The Annual Report

Owing to the large amount of space devoted to the Judson Centennial and the policy of the Society, the report of last year was considerably larger than the reports of the years previous. For various reasons the present report is also somewhat larger although it is published in substantially the same form as in other years. No conclusions have as yet been reached by the committee appointed by the Convention for the purpose of considering the whole problem of annual reports with a view to securing more uniformity in contents and character in the reports of the various cooperating societies which go to make the several parts of the Convention Annual. In connection with the publication of this report the Board is under obligations, which it acknowledges with gratitude, to Rev. J. E. Cummings, D.D., of Burma, and Rev. A. F. Ufford of Shaohsing, East China, who have rendered valuable service in the preparation and revision of the material which appears in the section devoted to the reports from the missions.

The Handbook

A new method has been adopted with reference to the publication of the Handbook. Heretofore it has been issued simultaneously with the Annual Report. It was found, however, that this time of publication made it impossible to have an accurate missionary directory owing to the constant changes of address which were taking place during the late spring and summer by reason of furlough. Furthermore it was impossible to include in the Handbook material which would be of value for mission study classes during the fall and winter. Accordingly last year the Handbook was published in the early fall, and the new Handbook is to appear at a corresponding period this year. Much attention is paid to the preparation of this book and it is always kept as up-to-date as possible. As in previous years about fifty pages will be devoted to incidents, experiences and episodes on the mission fields. Tabulated under appropriate heads these are

always valuable as illustrations for sermons and addresses, and are particularly valuable in mission study classes. A large amount of information which is continually sought by those interested can be found in the Handbook. Beautifully colored maps showing the fields of the Society are an attractive feature.

The Joint Magazine

During the year the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society joined the other societies engaged in the publication of our joint magazine, *Missions*, merging *Helping Hand* as the other societies had previously merged their separate periodicals. Now we have a single missionary magazine representing all our missionary interests. Five volumes have been completed under the editorship of Dr. Howard B. Grose, who has won widespread commendation both from our own and other denominations for the creation and conduct of the magazine, which is recognized as one of the foremost missionary periodicals, a credit to the Baptists, and a strong factor in the spread of missionary intelligence. A campaign is under way to raise the list from fifty to seventy-five thousand. That the subscriptions have held to the fifty thousand mark, in view of the general financial conditions of the year, gives evidence of the magazine's popularity. Under arrangements completed in January, it is believed that the deficit will be reduced this year to $7,000, or less than that of any two of the societies prior to the combination; while it must be remembered, in this connection, that the magazine goes into from two to three times as many homes as any one of the former publications did in their best days. Credit belongs to the editor for the most economical business management, as well as for the editorial ability that has made our experiment successful, and inspired other denominations to follow our example in this regard.

Advertising and Publicity

As in previous years the Society has used a limited amount of advertising space in the denominational papers. The value of this has been demonstrated by the returns, and it is regrettable that the resources of the Society do not warrant the larger use of this method of publicity. During the past year the Society has cooperated with the other organizations of the Northern Baptist

Convention, and through the United Missionary Campaign prepared one of a series of advertisements which appeared in the papers during the two months previous to the close of the fiscal year. From comments and reports which have been received it is evident that this has been of value.

A new method was adopted in furnishing news items and other material to the denominational papers. Heretofore items were sent simultaneously and in syndicate form to all papers. A number of the editors declined to publish such material, on the ground that duplication of news was undesirable. A study of the territory in which the various papers circulate also revealed the fact that some items would be of more value and interest in certain sections than in others. In view of this a plan was inaugurated whereby each denominational paper, in so far as possible, will receive exclusive news material. Items are now sent in syndicate form only when they are of such a character as to appeal to and interest the entire constituency and when they constitute official announcements of a general denominational character. The plan has justified its existence. There have been very few cases where news items sent to the papers failed to appear.

The Work of the Society and the European War

The effects of the European war upon the missionary work of the Society have been noted briefly in a pamphlet entitled "Baptists and the Great War." Further information has been given from time to time during the year in the denominational papers. Early in the fall a special department was begun in *Missions* under the title "European War Items," in which were indicated each month some of the facts regarding the situation which were made known through letters from the war zone. It seems desirable in this general review of the year to summarize briefly some of the outstanding facts of this great catastrophe in its relation to the work of the Society.

Shortly after the beginning of the war, owing to financial stringency and the closing of the various international mediums of exchange the Society anticipated difficulty in the transmission of funds to the mission fields. The Standard Oil Company of New York offered to place its financial machinery at the disposal of the different foreign mission boards in order to overcome such

difficulty in case it should arise. Several of the larger missionary organizations availed themselves of this kind offer. In the case of this Society, however, it was not found necessary. Owing to the geographical location of the missions the usual channels for the transmission of funds could be used.

Recently another difficulty has been experienced in the passages of missionaries to and from the field. Owing to the dangers involved in transportation by way of England, at the time this report goes to press, missionaries coming from and returning to British India may be obliged to follow the Pacific route, thereby involving additional expense to the Society.

The effects of the war upon the work of the Society in the immediate war zone can easily be imagined. Numerous church buildings erected by the Society in Northern France and Belgium have been destroyed by the artillery. The male membership, including the pastors, are at the front. Church activity has been demoralized. Contributions have ceased, and the wives and children are wandering about in dire suffering and distress. The pitiable fact is that it has been impossible to send aid to them because the lines of communication have been cut off. Many of the able and consecrated leaders of these churches have fallen in battle, among them the talented young Paul Ernest Vincent, who made so favorable an impression upon the churches of the United States during his seminary course at Rochester and his subsequent visit to America some years ago. In Germany the situation is equally critical. Practically all of the students in the Hamburg Theological Seminary have been pressed into army service. The German Mission Committee has been compelled to notify the churches that the annual contribution of 46,000 marks for their work during the year 1915 could not be granted. The hardship and suffering which this announcement will bring upon pastors and churches alike will be most severe. It is evident that the churches in Europe will be so weakened in numbers and so poor financially that the entire work will have to be reorganized. Further information regarding the work of the Society in the war zone is given in the reports from the countries of Europe.

Another effect of the war which has been felt in the work of the Society has manifested itself in British India. Delay has been experienced in the transmission of mail all of which is opened and

read by the official censor. The missions of continental societies have suffered distress because contributions have been cut off. As a result their missionaries are appealing to our own Society for assistance. The missionaries in the Bengal-Orissa field are supporting two German families because their German organizations can no longer maintain them. In South India the Society has assumed an additional obligation of several thousands of dollars because the funds from the Mennonites of South Russia who have been doing a cooperative work at Nalgonda, Jangaon and Sooriapett have been cut off. In practically all of the countries where the Society is doing work the cost of living has increased by reason of the war. Many additional facts could be indicated, showing that the influence of this struggle is reaching into the remotest mission stations maintained by the Society.

One other effect needs to be mentioned. No one can foretell what conclusion the non-Christian world will draw from the pitiable spectacle of so-called Christian nations violating every rule of Christian brotherhood. A Christianity which fails in Europe is not wanted in China or Japan. It is difficult to explain the inconsistency which is witnessed when a missionary is preaching peace in India and the government which he represents is practising war in Europe. The only remedy is of course to demonstrate that it is not Christianity which has failed, but that men have failed to apply Christianity. Fortunately this aspect of the European war has not proved to be as serious as was anticipated.

New Forms of Evangelism

The records of the year as revealed in the reports have in them much to encourage and stimulate the friends of missions. The evangelist, the physician, the school, the press, have united in their contribution to the one strategic purpose of the missionary enterprise, the establishment of a native church and the development of native Christian communities. Most encouraging reports have come concerning evangelistic successes, some fields in South India and Burma reporting the largest number of baptisms in their history. Although the work of Christian education is being recognized more and more as a work of supreme importance in providing Christian leadership for the rising church, yet the work of direct evangelism has not been and cannot be neglected. It

represents a process of attrition, not spectacular because it is quiet and personal, but one that is constantly reducing the resources of the powers of darkness.

A new evangelistic work which will command general interest is the student work that is carried on by Rev. W. L. Ferguson, D.D., and Mr. T. V. Witter among college students in Madras and Dr. W. E. Witter in connection with Cotton College, the government institution at Gauhati, Assam, and Rev. H. B. Benninghoff at Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan. The importance of such work can hardly be over-emphasized. It is touching young men who are to be the intellectual and political leaders of the coming generation and it is doing so with great success. Dr. Witter reports that from fifteen to thirty students are calling upon him every day asking questions concerning the Christian doctrine. He has six Bible classes. His report indicates that Christian education in Assam is today serving the country at its most critical period. The influences of civilization are now affecting its entire life. The country is being opened and the old isolated tribal life is sure to disappear. An investment of $20,000 or $25,000 in a Christian dormitory that will be related to the government college somewhat under the plan of a Young Men's Christian Association would extend the influence of the donor through the next century and be a mighty influence in redeeming that great country. In Madras the student work is developing under most encouraging conditions. A well-equipped hall, costing $6,000 has been made possible by the gift of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller. Dr. Ferguson finds an open door to the hearts of the students. His Sunday meetings are largely attended. A flourishing Christian Endeavor Society holds regular meetings. In this work he will have the strong assistance of Mr. T. V. Witter who has completed the preliminary period of language study and is now ready for active work.

Another most interesting work, thoroughly evangelistic in character, is reported by Rev. S. D. Bawden among the criminal tribe of the Erukalas. This work which was begun by Rev. E. Bullard has developed during the last year with most encouraging results. The decrease in crime at Kavali has been remarkable. An entire change in the spirit and life of the people has been noted. The missionaries have been able to solve a problem which the government had faced and failed to solve through many years.

Government reports speak highly of Mr. Bawden's work. The entire expenses of his settlement save his salary are provided for by government appropriation. The number of the Erukalas is to be increased from 600 to 1000. A number of baptisms has been reported. Here is a great opportunity for a work of industrial education to supplement the work of evangelism. The people who have been Christianized need to be helped along avenues of self-support and lifted to a plane of economic efficiency.

Movement Among Students and Literati in China

The latter portion of the past year witnessed a unique and remarkable demonstration in mission work in China. The educated class, or literati, have always been regarded as the Gibraltar of Confucianism, the most difficult class to reach and the last to yield themselves to the transforming power of the gospel. During the last three months of 1914, meetings were held in many of the great cities of China, at which thousands of officials, prosperous merchants, educated leaders and students gathered to hear Christianity explained and urged as the one religious faith and moral energy that could satisfy the great spiritual and moral hunger of the new republic. These meetings were held by Mr. George Sherwood Eddy, under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association, and in full cooperation with the missionaries and the Chinese Christian church. Chinese prominent in government circles participated in the meetings, and some very notable conversions occurred. The report of the meetings summarizes their out-standing results as follows:

"First is the remarkable attendance, which is an index of the present evangelistic opportunity among the students and official classes of China. The total attendance for last year at the evangelistic meetings was 78,230; this year it was more than double that number. While last year there were 7000 inquirers, this year there were over 18,000, Fukien Province alone reporting 9230. Foochow reports the first fifty non-Christian students already baptized; Canton over seventy. A second noteworthy feature is the remarkable cooperation on the part of the officials of China. From the president down, the leading officials received us with great courtesy and cordiality as well as hospitality. For the first time as a class, they gave earnest attention to the public presentation of Jesus Christ and his gospel, and by their remarkable

openness of mind, enabled us to approach not only the official classes but the students and leaders of China for a great evangelistic forward movement. As a third feature, the development of the new province-wide campaign will make possible the reaching in time of the remotest country districts of inland China. We have now proved the success of this method of training the Christian leaders of a province, sending out the workers two by two to visit the secondary cities and from these in turn carrying the Christian message to the outlying towns and villages."

This movement has touched our own mission work only in East China, and a reference to the meetings at Hangchow will be found in the East China section of this report.

National Evangelistic Campaign

A movement of great significance in Japan is the national evangelistic campaign, undertaken for a period of three years beginning in the spring of 1914. The campaign is under the direction of a committee representing the missionary body and the Japanese churches and is designed to reach not simply the larger cities, as in earlier campaigns, but all parts of the country and all classes of the people. The first object of the campaign has been to bring about a revival of spiritual life and evangelistic fervor in the churches, this to be followed by a widespread presentation of the gospel to the entire non-Christian community.

The campaign is making itself profoundly felt throughout Japan. Rev. J. L. Dearing, D.D., Treasurer of the joint committee in charge of the campaign, writes in January as follows: "The first year of the campaign is drawing to a close. The results have shown that God's blessing is upon the work and we should bow our heads in gratitude. Thousands have heard the gospel and many have been added to the churches; the zeal and faith of Japanese Christians, both pastors and laymen, have been an inspiration. The large audiences and the open door everywhere have increased our confidence." Secretary Franklin, in a letter written as he was passing through Japan on his way to China, says, "The religious outlook appears as encouraging as ever, more encouraging some think than they have seen it for many years. Rev. J. H. Scott of Osaka says he has never seen such a deep interest in all his missionary experience."

Serious apprehension is expressed as to the possible effect upon

the American missionaries and their work of anti-American feeling and agitation growing out of the California incident. No actual opposition is reported but some of the missionaries are decidedly of the opinion that, owing to the subtle change in the attitude of the Japanese, there is no such advantage in being an American as there was a few years ago. The visit of Dr. Shailer Mathews and Dr. S. L. Gulick, carrying the greetings of the federated churches of America, was exceedingly helpful as an evidence of the really cordial feeling of the great body of American Christians. Clearly it is incumbent upon all who have the interests of missionary work in Japan at heart to use their utmost endeavors to promote good feeling toward Japan in this country and to support every wise movement to secure to Japan and the Japanese, fair and even generous treatment at the hands of our own people and government.

Depletion of the Missions

The accumulated deficits of the last several years with the consequent curtailment of appropriations have had most serious effects. The first and most obvious result has been the depletion of the missionary staff. The Board has been unable to meet the increasing demands of the educational work and to keep up with the losses in general work caused by sickness, death and furlough. In South India alone twenty missionaries have come home since January, 1914, and two more have died. To meet this loss of twenty-two only four have gone out and seven other missionaries on furlough hope to return in the fall. In the four British India fields the losses, including four deaths, have been seventy since January, 1914, and only thirty-eight have gone out. Besides these are twenty-eight missionaries ready to return in the fall. If they should go, however, there would still be a net loss of four. The evangelistic and general missionary work has had a net loss of six in a little over a year. Such losses unless immediately remedied make it problematical whether some stations in India can be kept open. If a shortage of funds should prevent the appointment of any new missionaries or keep at home some of the missionaries now ready to return, the depletion upon the field would verge on the disastrous.

While our other mission fields have not suffered so seriously as British India, there is still a net loss. China, Japan, Africa and

the Philippines have lost thirty missionaries by furlough and death since January, 1914, while twenty-four have returned from furlough or gone out as new appointees. The net loss for our missionary operations, therefore, in all fields in the past fifteen months is twelve.

Another result has been a reduction of funds for the equipment of the missionary. He needs tools if he is to do his work. He needs a sanitary and comfortable house in which to live and equipment for touring including native helpers, tents and other necessities. He should have a motor boat if he is in a river region. School buildings and teachers are also necessary. Without such tools, much of the investment that a missionary represents will lie idle, unable to yield the expected returns.

In the last two years appropriations for property and equipment have been curtailed. In the year 1912–1913, $85,662 were used as a building, property and equipment fund. In 1913–1914 this was reduced to $40,000. In 1914–1915 it was further reduced to $15,000. Specially designated gifts for property, in addition to these amounts have been available as follows: $37,020 in 1912–1913 and $23,113 in 1913–1914. Besides the tremendous needs such sums are pitifully small. Real suffering as well as a most serious impairment of efficiency has been the result. The Board cannot look upon the property conditions in our missions without grave concern. The need for a large sum to take care of ordinary property and equipment interests is imperative. The list of approved property needs, even without additions for the past year, represents a total of over $300,000, of which approximately $70,000 is for mission residences, $150,000 for school buildings, $50,000 for chapels, and $30,000 for hospitals.

The Board would call attention also to the fact that while retrenchment in the cutting down of the appointments of new missionaries and the keeping of missionaries from returning to the field is most apparent in its disastrous effects, a reduction of appropriations for the missionaries already on the field, while less spectacular, means equally disastrous effects. So great is the need that some fields would actually prefer an increase in appropriations for certain property needs to the sending of a new missionary. From Japan, where the missionary force has suffered peculiar depletion, comes the message that if it should be a choice between

sending out a new missionary and providing the money for a church building in one of the large centers, the latter would unquestionably mean more to the work.

Specific Needs for Material Equipment

A full and detailed statement of property needs will be found in the special leaflet entitled "Needs and Opportunities." A few of the more urgent items are presented herewith as typical of what might be done for the strengthening of the work if funds were available for such objects.

Among pressing needs for mission residences may be mentioned that for a house to cost $3000 for a second missionary at the Jorhat Christian Schools. A residence is needed for the mission treasurer and business agent in Shanghai, for which land has already been purchased; it is estimated that $6000 will be required for the house and $800 for improvements on the site. The erection of this house would make possible an annual saving of at least $500 now paid for rental. Several residences are needed in West China at an average cost of $3000 and two or three houses are required in the Congo, where cheaper construction makes it possible to provide a suitable residence for about $1600. A residence to cost $3,000 is greatly needed also in Canton for our representative in the management of the China Baptist Publication Society. It is difficult to make selection from the list of educational needs, but special mention may be made of the Jorhat Christian Schools, where there is urgent need at once for a Bible school building and equipment costing $1000 and a high school building toward which the mission would need to contribute about $3000, the remainder of the cost being derived from other sources on the field. In Burma, the Rangoon Baptist College should have an enlarged dining hall because the present accommodations are greatly over-crowded. One-half the cost can be secured from the government; the sum of $3833 is asked from the Society. If the college is to remain on its present location and develop its equipment to meet the needs of its increasing student body, now numbering 1800 in all departments, a scientific department with physical and chemical laboratories should be established and more dormitories should be added. For the adequate equipment of the institution, not less than $100,000 would be required.

Additional buildings are required, especially a dormitory and professors' residences, for the Shanghai Baptist College and Seminary, which is maintained jointly by the Society and the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Central buildings estimated to cost $50,000 are urgently and immediately needed for the West China Union University at Chengtu, toward which the Society has been asked to contribute one fourth or $12,500. The erection of the main recitation hall for the Congo Evangelical Training Institution at Kimpesi ought not longer to be delayed. We are expected to contribute the sum of $2500 toward this building, the balance being furnished by the Baptist Missionary Society of England, with which we cooperate in the maintenance of the school.

Medical needs are almost equally important. Plans have been worked out for a hospital building and plant in Ongole, at a cost of $20,000. A considerable amount is already in hand, but the full sum should be available before this important and necessary work is actually begun. In Huchow, East China, plans for cooperation with the Southern Methodists in medical work have already been approved, and the actual union is delayed only by our inability to provide the sum of $8500, representing our contribution toward land and buildings. Three well-trained, young physicians have recently been sent to the Congo. Not one of these has a hospital or any building suitable for the conduct of medical work. For $3000 or $4000 a small but satisfactory and fairly well-equipped hospital could be built, and the need is urgent at each of the three stations, Banza-Manteke, Sona Bata and Ikoko.

Why the Fields are Depleted

For many years, if not always, the mission fields of the Society have been in a chronic state of depletion. Various explanations of this condition might be offered, no one of which would be sufficient in itself but each of which doubtless contributes its share to the situation.

In the first place there is a constant loss through death and retirement from service so that a surprising proportion of the new recruits sent out each year is required to fill the vacancies. Although 104 new missionaries, not counting the wives, have been sent out since 1907, the net increase in the active working

force during this period of seven years is only thirty-one. This very report, for example, chronicles the death of five members of the active staff and the resignation or retirement from active service of at least twelve others, while the number of new workers sent out has been only twenty.

In the second place, to repeat what has been said so often as to make it almost a truism, more work has been attempted in the past than could be well done. New fields were opened and new stations occupied before existing fields and stations were properly manned and equipped. For the pursuance of this policy, providential openings, the zeal of the missionaries, the hopefulness of the Board or Executive Committee, and the enthusiastic encouragement of the churches, which however was not followed up by a corresponding increase in contributions, are responsible. The errors and embarrassments of such a policy we are now seeking to overcome and correct by the policy of intensive development, which in essence means that existing work shall be brought to a thoroughly efficient basis as to staff and equipment before any new fields are occupied or the expansion of old fields is undertaken. But the intensive policy in this sense has been in force for several years past. No new field and practically no new stations for general work have been occupied during the past seven years. Out of the total of 104 new missionaries sent out during this period, not more than seven or eight can be rightly said to be engaged in strictly new work.

In the third place, the intensive policy itself is in some measure responsible for the depletion of the missionary force engaged in general work. About ten years ago the Executive Committee, recognizing the absolute necessity of providing our mission stations with suitable residences, school buildings, chapels, hospitals and other buildings and equipment required to make the work of the missionaries really effective, began the policy of including in the annual budget or schedule an item for building or property and made appropriations on this account, which have amounted, including specifically designated gifts, to a total of nearly $900,000 during the ten years. A very considerable part of the increase in receipts during recent years has been absorbed in providing this needed equipment. The Board believe that they have no right to ask strong young men from seminaries and colleges to throw their

lives into the task of establishing Christianity among the non-Christian peoples and at the same time keep from them the material equipment necessary to make their sacrifice of real avail.

Increased Emphasis upon Education

Still a fourth factor to be considered in accounting for the present depleted condition of the general work in our mission fields is the increased emphasis that in recent years has been put upon Christian education as a form of missionary work. It was just about ten years ago that the campaign for an educational endowment fund of $500,000 for the support of Baptist institutions of higher education on the mission field was undertaken. That movement grew out of the demand, already becoming insistent, for a larger number of native workers with more adequate preparation for their task and the realization that for the preparation of such leaders a better staff and equipment was required for the higher schools already in existence and the founding of such institutions in the missions where they had not yet been established. Recent years have witnessed a growing conviction with all students of missionary progress that there must be a development of native leadership in order that there may be a native church equipped and inspired to evangelize its own people. During this period of ten years educational institutions have absorbed a larger proportion than before of the missionary staff and of the financial resources of the Society. In 1904 the Society maintained but two so-called colleges, neither of which was capable of carrying students beyond the sophomore year of the college curriculum. During 1914 the Society supported or shared in maintaining no less than six institutions doing full college work. Ten years ago a total of nine missionaries were connected with the two colleges reported. In 1914 the number actually engaged in the work of college education was eighteen. These figures are significant not only as showing the actual increase in the number of men maintained by the Board in college grade work, but even more because of the fact that with an increase of only nine men for this type of service, the Society has been able to participate in six institutions and thus secure for its Christian constituency in five missions the advantages of such opportunities for education. This is a striking testimony to the economic value of cooperative

effort. Approximately $175,000 has been expended in buildings and equipment for these schools of college grade, a large proportion of which was received in specially designated gifts.

The development in the work of theological education has been none the less substantial, the number of theological seminaries and training schools for men having increased from seven in 1904 to twelve in 1914. The number of missionaries giving their time chiefly to the work of these institutions has increased from fourteen to twenty-two. Distinct progress has been made also in securing better equipment and in reaching a higher grade of work. The increased emphasis upon educational work in general is also seen in the relative number of missionaries assigned to this type of service as compared with the number so engaged ten years ago. The total number of missionaries reported in 1904, not including wives or appointees of the Woman's Societies, was 208. Of this number thirty-six or twelve per cent. were devoting their time wholly or chiefly to educational work. In 1914 the total number was 276 and the number engaged chiefly in educational work was fifty, or eighteen per cent.

The question naturally arises as to whether the increased emphasis upon educational work as compared with direct evangelism has affected in any degree unfavorably the results by which the success of missionary work is commonly measured, namely the growth of churches in number, membership and contributions. A study of the statistics under these headings for the past ten years, as compared with the ten years preceding, demonstrates the fact that the results of evangelistic work have not suffered from the increased emphasis upon education. The total number of churches increased from 761 in 1894 to 1125 in 1904 and to 1575 in 1914. The gain in the first decade was 364 and in the second decade 450. The total church membership increased from 96,109 in 1894 to 117,031 in 1904 and to 166,330 in 1914. The actual increase for the first decade was 20,497 or twenty-one per cent and for the second decade 47,678 or forty-one per cent. The total number of baptisms reported in the ten years from 1894 to 1904 was 62,339 and in the ten years from 1904 to 1914 102,174. The average number of baptisms annually therefore increased from 6,340 to 10,248. It is an interesting fact that during the period from 1908 to 1913, the only years for which such records are

available, an average of 1498 pupils from the mission schools were baptized each year into the membership of the churches. Native contributions also show a remarkable advance during the second period over the first. During the first decade, the average annual contributions reported amounted to $26,101 for church expenses, $31,585 for education, and $76,967 for all purposes. During the last decade these gifts reached a yearly average of $53,889 for church expenses, $40,266 for education, and $125,834 for all purposes.

These statistics are significant from several points of view. They would seem, however, to establish clearly the fact that the spiritual fruitage of missionary endeavor has not been diminished because of what some might regard as a disproportionate emphasis in recent years upon educational work in the allotment of missionary reenforcements and financial resources. The explanation of this encouraging fact is to be found, we believe, in the vitality that has been attained by the churches on the mission field and in the development of a force of native workers steadily increasing in number and effectiveness, so that a relative weakening of the foreign missionary evangelistic force has not diminished the evangelistic impact of the missionary propaganda. A further question is suggested by these figures, namely, — has the time actually come when in the older fields at least the greater evangelistic results will be secured not by the multiplying of foreign missionaries designated to evangelistic service, but by the strengthening of those forms of educational work which are calculated to inspire and equip an effective native evangelizing agency?

Industrial Education

One of the comparatively recent developments in our missionary work is along the lines of industrial education. In tropical and sub-tropical countries this is recognized as necessary in the development of a self-supporting native church. In many cases it is necessary to teach the dignity of labor itself. Much of the extreme poverty is due to a lack of knowledge as to how to till the land or to work in various industries. A self-supporting native church must have people who have developed along lines of economic efficiency. While many missionaries to a greater or less degree are working along these lines, there are five schools in

which special emphasis is placed upon educational training: at Jaro in the Philippines, Kimpezi on the Congo, Jorhat in Assam, Balasore in Bengal-Orissa and Kavali in South India.

The work in all these schools is full of encouragement. In India especially, the government and the Indian princes are awakening to the need so that the specialist in industrial training often has doors opened both to native courts and to the people that are closed to all other missionaries. What Tuskegee is to the South, Jorhat could be to Assam, or Balasore to Bengal-Orissa. None of our schools, however, is adequately equipped. Some of them have neither specialists as instructors, adequate buildings nor working capital. Jorhat with fifteen different races represented last year has almost nothing in the way of equipment. Twenty-eight specific needs in the way of building, land and equipment have come before the Board. A specialist in agriculture and $25,000 for equipment would powerfully affect Assam for good through the next century. At Kavali, where Rev. Samuel Bawden is working among the Erukalas, a criminal tribe, an agricultural specialist is needed in order that an agricultural training may be instituted. Generous grants from the government would then be possible. Balasore needs a man skilled in carpentry and technical subjects. A large increase in the grant from the government is recommended if an American expert foreman could be employed in a teaching capacity.

The Kengtung Situation

One of the most splendid developments of our evangelistic missionary work in recent years has been the work in Kengtung State which lies on the north-eastern frontier of Burma. In the last fourteen years over 10,000 converts have been received although for much of the time only one missionary family, Rev. W. M. Young and Mrs. Young, have been laboring in that territory. For some years questions of comity have arisen between this Board and the Presbyterian Board in relation to the work upon this field. It has been recognized that on account of the smallness of the field one missionary organization rather than two ought to be used in the development of the splendid opportunities of Kengtung State. The natural development of the Presbyterian work north from Siam as well as the development of our activities from Burma brought the two missions face to

face. After correspondence and a series of conferences carried on in the most fraternal spirit extending over a number of years, the Board are glad to report that a final settlement has been made by which without any discussion of the merits of the case the Presbyterian Board has waived its claims to the greater part of the Kengtung State, reserving for themselves merely a five mile strip along the eastern caravan route between Siam and China. This fraternal action of the Presbyterian Board leaves the Kengtung State almost entirely in Baptist hands and lays added responsibility upon this Board for the evangelization and Christian education of these multitudes who seem so ready for the gospel.

Central China Developments

The proposed policy of the Board with reference to the work in Central China was fully set forth in the report presented to the Society in Boston last year. After that report was in print, however, the Board at the June meeting adopted resolutions outlining with some detail the procedure immediately to be followed. This plan was presented in substance to the committee on reports of the cooperating societies and was endorsed by that committee and by the Convention. The efforts of our missionaries at Hanyang, Rev. G. A. Huntley, M. D., and Rev. I. B. Clark, to carry this plan into effect met with some serious embarrassments, and the Board deemed it advisable that Foreign Secretary Franklin, should visit China in order to assist in bringing the matter to a satisfactory issue. Dr. Franklin sailed from San Francisco on January 9, reaching Shanghai early in February. He at once entered into conference with the missionaries and later proceeded to Hanyang for consultation with representatives of the churches. Important reports of progress have been received, but the negotiations have been prolonged so that it will not be possible for Secretary Franklin to return in time for the Anniversaries. Pending consideration by the Chinese churches of proposals submitted to them, Dr. Franklin has been able to make brief visits to South China and to Japan. On account of the importance of this matter and in view of the general interest that has been manifested it is deemed wise to make a more complete statement than it is practicable to include in this general review. Such a statement will be found immediately following the statement on Home Expenditures.

Visit to West China

The announcement that Secretary Franklin was to visit China this spring brought from the West China Mission a most urgent invitation to include that mission within the scope of the visit. No foreign secretary or official representative of the Board has ever visited the West China field. The visit could be made at this time by Secretary Franklin with a minimum of expenditure both of time and of money. Moreover, there are in West China, as in other fields, exceedingly important problems in connection with the permanent development of the work that call for careful study before satisfactory conclusions can be reached. The Board of Managers deemed it advisable under all circumstances to take advantage of the opportunity thus offered and have authorized Dr. Franklin to make a brief visit to West China. He will probably return to America during the summer.

China Medical Board of the Rockefeller Foundation

An event of very great significance for medical education and medical missionary work in general was the sending by the Rockefeller Foundation of a Medical Commission to China to study and report upon the conditions of public health and medicine in that country. The commission consisted of President Harry Pratt Judson of the University of Chicago, Mr. Roger Sherman Greene, United States Consul-general at Hankow, and Francis Weld Peabody, M.D., of Harvard University and the Peter Bent Brigham hospital in Boston, with Mr. George P. McKibben as secretary. The commission spent practically five months in China, visiting most of the country with the exception of the western provinces. A comprehensive and enlightening report has been published, which pays a high tribute to the service already rendered by missionary societies and missionary physicians to the cause of medical practice and medical education in China.

Since the return of the commission, the Rockefeller Foundation has established a permanent board known as the China Medical Board, with Dr. Wallace Buttrick as director and Mr. Roger Sherman Greene as resident director in China. This Board will have supervision of all work done by the Foundation in aid of medical education and general medical work in China. The Board proposes to assist in the work of medical education in

several large centers such as Peking, Shanghai, Canton and possibly one or two others. It will work in cooperation with missionary societies and institutions wherever this is practicable. It proposes also to assist in the medical work of the missionary societies by increasing the efficiency of hospitals by means of a larger staff and better equipment especially in the districts contiguous to the centers where medical schools are maintained or assisted by the Foundation. In view of the fact that at least two of the centers chosen by the Medical Board are in sections of China where our missions are located, the educational committee of the Board has appointed a sub-committee on medical education for the purpose of making a special study of our policy in the light of possible developments of the plans of the Foundation.

Field Administration

One of the constant problems in mission administration is the question as to how much administrative responsibility shall be laid upon the missionaries and how much retained by the Board. During the last two years attention has been increasingly centered upon this problem and it is quite evident that both the missionaries and the Board are prepared for some definite forward steps. More or less interest in the question is manifested among the pastors and members of the home churches, especially on the part of those who have had the opportunity of visiting the foreign field. Remarks and criticisms that are made, however, clearly indicate that there is a considerable degree of misapprehension both as to what has actually been done in the development of field administration and as to the attitude of the Board with regard to it. It goes without saying that there is a vast multitude of administrative details in the work of every mission that can be cared for more intelligently and more effectively upon the field than by the Board at home. To the greater part of these details the Board have never thought of giving attention, leaving entirely in the hands of the missionaries such matters as, e.g., the regulation of salaries of native pastors and teachers, the degree of aid to be granted to churches that are seeking to reach self-support, the distribution of the appropriations made to the individual missionary for evangelistic, educational work, etc., the details of building, both in the preparation of plans and the work of construction, the

details of arrangements for language study and language examination. With regard to most of these matters the Board has contented itself with insisting that there should be certain general rules or requirements to be observed, leaving to the mission the formulation of measures necessary to secure this observance. There is another large group of questions having to do with the location and transfer of missionaries, designation of missionaries to particular forms of work, arrangements for furlough, distribution of appropriations made to a given field among the stations and missionaries of that field, consideration of requests for supplemental appropriations made necessary by the emergencies or developments of the work during the year. Such questions as these it has been customary for the Board during recent years to take final action upon after securing definite advice or recommendation from the mission body. Many of these questions, however, can be dealt with more promptly and satisfactorily on the field and the Board are arranging for the transfer to the missions of responsibility in these matters as rapidly as the missionaries are ready to accept such responsibility and as satisfactory plans can be worked out for these phases of mission administration.

Advisory Action by Conference

It should be remembered that until a comparatively recent period the system of administration in vogue in all our mission fields was practically a lack of system. Each individual missionary dealt directly with the Board and the Board passed upon his requests or plans without reference to any advisory body on the field except as occasionally a special committee on advice was formed in some of the fields. The result was naturally, almost necessarily, a considerable degree of confusion and a lack of consistent, coordinated methods in mission work in every field. About fifteen years ago, a definite and carefully formulated plan of advisory action by mission conferences was adopted as an aid to the Board and to the missions in administration. This plan met with serious, and in some cases bitter, opposition on the part of some missionaries who felt that personal rights and privileges were being invaded. The plan, however, has worked admirably, has overcome practically all opposition and has been of inestimable value to the Board in the administration of the work. In the development of

field administration the missionaries of each field are organized into a conference and it is with this conference that the Board deals, receiving its advice in regard to designations, the conduct of work and all matters pertaining to the general activities of the mission. The conference elects a reference committee which acts as its executive committee throughout the year holding frequent meetings and passing upon all missionary business which is to be presented to the Board.

It is evident that the time has come for a further step in the development of field administration. The several missions now have an organization through which each can administer intelligently and effectively its own work. Some of the missions are urging very strongly an extension of the power of final decision upon the field. The Board will welcome still further relief from the necessity it has been under of giving attention to matters of detail which can be cared for on the field. Some important measures have already been adopted. The mission conference or reference committee has the power to locate new and returning missionaries and to transfer missionaries from one station to another in case of need and to arrange for furloughs in regular course or on medical certificate subject only to final review and approval by the Board. In a majority of cases the decisions on the field are put into effect immediately and only in the rarest cases has the Board failed to ratify these decisions.

Appropriations in Gross

Two important measures of field administration offered by the Board to each of the missions were mentioned in the report of last year. The first of these was the plan for an enlarged emergency or reserve fund. This fund represents the proportionate amount which the Board holds in reserve for each mission for meeting unforeseen or emergency expenses arising during the year after the original schedule has been adopted. The Board offered to place this sum at the disposal of the conference or reference committee to use according to their discretion asking only that a report of the particulars of expenditure be made for the sake of information. This enlarged emergency fund has been accepted by the missions in South India, Burma, West China, and the Congo. The next step is known as Appropriations in Gross. Under this plan the

entire amount that is appropriated for a particular field for its general operations, including the salaries of native workers, repair funds, school work, etc., but not including salaries and passages of missionaries, is grouped under five general classes and is placed in the hands of the conference or reference committee to be distributed among the various stations and individual missionaries without restriction except that transfer shall not be made from one class to another. Again the Board ask for a full report of how this money is distributed and expended for purposes of accounting and information and not for control. The plan of Appropriations in Gross has been accepted by East China, South China, Japan, the Philippine Islands, Bengal-Orissa and Assam.

Difficulties in the Transfer of Responsibility

Certain difficulties are already emerging in this transfer of responsibility from the Board to the field. Many missionaries have complained because it necessitated large committee work, calling them away from their own special labors sometimes for weeks at a time and aggregating many days in the course of a year. It has been seriously urged by some missionaries that they did not have time to look after the business of the mission as a whole; the work of their own fields demanded their entire time. To meet this situation and to reduce somewhat the amount of committee work another measure of field administration has been approved by the Board in two missions upon the earnest request of the missions themselves. This plan involves the appointment upon nomination by the conference of a mission secretary, one of the missionaries on the field who gives his entire time to general administrative work. The two fields in which this plan has been adopted are East China and Assam where the mission secretaries cooperate with the reference committee and conference in the investigation of the different sections of the field and in the formulation of the business which is to be transmitted to the Board, and serve as executive officers in carrying out the instructions of the conference and of the Board.

A Conference on Field Administration

Other plans for a modification or increase in the administrative authority of the conferences are now under consideration. A

proposal has been made that a general conference, somewhat similar to the one held in Newton Center three years ago, should be held in Boston within the next year or two to consider this question of field administration in all its bearings, together with other important pending mission problems. Such a conference would be attended by officially appointed representatives of each of the missions, by officers of the Society and representatives of the Board. In this way it is believed that a satisfactory consensus of judgment as to the best solution of this confessedly difficult problem can be reached. There are certain final responsibilities to the denomination for the general direction of its mission work that the Board cannot abdicate and, in order to decide intelligently with regard to the general questions of mission policy which all agree should come to the Board for final action, there is necessary a broad and exact knowledge of conditions affecting the work on the field which cannot be secured without maintaining close and constant touch with the detailed work of the missions. At the same time friends of the Society as well as the missionaries are asked to note that the Board are eager to turn over to the mission bodies on the field the care of all administrative details which experience indicates can be more satisfactorily dealt with by the local bodies. There are serious problems and difficulties in the way which cannot be solved quickly and the Board therefore must move slowly and along lines which are acceptable to the missionaries themselves.

Native Responsibility and Leadership

A cardinal policy in missionary work today is the development of a native church. This, and not the missionary, must do the ultimate work of evangelizing the various countries. The development of such churches calls for a native leadership and a sense of responsibility for evangelistic work on the part of the church that our missionaries and educational institutions are uniting to produce. Just where and when the missionary is to remove his hand from the infant church body and call upon native leadership to assume responsibility is not always clear but the necessity is apparent. None will be so glad as the missionaries when the native church needs them no longer and becomes self-supporting, self-governing, self-propagating.

A most impressive example of this development is seen in Burma where 768 self-supporting churches are now reported. A Burma Baptist Missionary Convention has been organized for fifty years in which delegates from all the churches and missionaries alike are members. At the beginning, naturally, the missionaries held the positions of leadership, organizing, directing and controlling the work. In these latter years, however, there has been a most significant development of interest and efficiency on the part of the convention itself. At the annual meeting held at Toungoo, October 31 to November 2, 1914, the convention reported 345,735 rupees or $115,000 raised by the churches for all church and missionary work as compared with 218,787 rupees or $72,929 in 1909. In the list of officers and on the committee of management only three out of twenty-two names were missionaries. Burman women were elected to membership and one even led in prayer, most significant facts when the former attitude toward women is taken into account. There was an impressive recognition of native responsibility for evangelization and plans are now being made by the missionaries and the convention to have some fields or parts of fields entirely in the hands of the convention for missionary work.

West China has made a number of important contributions to the science and practice of missions, possibly because the field was occupied at a comparatively late period, so that in the opening of a new field advantage could be taken of experience gained elsewhere. One of the most interesting features of the work in West China is the development of the West China Advisory Council, an organization full of promise along the lines both of independent activity and of cooperative effort on the part of the Chinese churches. The advisory council is made up of delegates chosen by the Chinese churches and represents the body of Chinese Christians of all denominations in that part of China, as the West China Advisory Board represents the various missions engaged in the same region. By means of these two organizations and their interrelationship, the work of extending Christianity in the provinces of western China is becoming unified and coordinated to a degree not surpassed in any other mission field. Promising native leaders in educational and evangelistic work are being developed and the Chinese churches are manifesting an interest

and aggressiveness in evangelization and in the maintenance of Christian schools that is most encouraging.

The process of transferring responsibility to the native church has met with some difficulties in Japan. The churches at Otaru and Sapporo in the Hokkaido, which had undertaken a program of self-support and development upon the withdrawal of the missionary two years ago, have found obstacles that apparently were insurmountable in the small membership, the illness and discouragement of the Japanese pastors, and the gradual withdrawal of mission aid. Under these circumstances, the church organizations have been given up, the members finding church homes elsewhere. The plan of cooperation with the Japanese Home Mission Society in work in the province of Shinshiu is not yielding satisfactory results and some new arrangement may be necessary. The chief difficulty lies in the fact that the Home Mission Society has not been able to secure the contributions from the Japanese churches which were depended upon to make the plan a success. On the other hand the Japanese churches and pastors, of our own as well as of other denominations, have entered heartily and aggressively into the national evangelistic campaign and the outlook is on the whole encouraging.

New Appointees

Of those reported last year as under appointment, the following have gone to the field and have begun their work: A. G. Adams and Mrs. Adams, Z. D. Browne and Mrs. Browne, R. N. Crawford, Miss Ruth M. Daniels, I. N. Earle, Jr., and Mrs. Earle, R. H. Fisher and Mrs. Fisher, Victor Hanson and Mrs. Hanson, Mrs. Ida M. Holder, A. D. McGlashan and Mrs. McGlashan, Miss Amorette Porter, C. E. Van Horn and Mrs. Van Horn. Messrs. Barss, Long, Manley and Moss are pursuing further studies in this country. Messrs. Bergman and Wallis have taken pastorates temporarily, awaiting opportunity to enter the work abroad. Early in the year provision was made by which A. C. Hanna and Mrs. Hanna could be sent to their work. They were therefore appointed and have begun their work at Moulmein, Burma. W. S. Webb, a senior in the Rochester Theological Seminary, has been accepted for appointment, definite designation to be determined in the future. J. E. Moncrieff, now taking graduate work

in the University of Chicago, and his fiancée, Miss Virginia A. Merriam, have been appointed with a view to educational work in West China. The following have been appointed during the year by the Board of the Woman's Society, and in accordance with custom their appointment has been confirmed by the Board of this Society: Alice Bixby, Omie E. Carter, Mabelle R. Culley, Elizabeth Hay, Agnes Neilson, Ethel Phelps, Susan Roberts, Harriet N. Smith. N. H. Carman and Miss Florence Carman have been assigned to special service, not under full missionary appointment. One of the dangers of our present situation is that the delay which some of our volunteers experience owing to the temporary lack of resources may discourage some who would otherwise consider work upon the foreign field, and thus check the stream of life flowing into the work.

Farewell Meeting with Departing Missionaries

For many years a public meeting of farewell to outgoing missionaries has been held annually in one of the churches of Boston just prior to the sailing of the steamship on which the missionaries had engaged passage. Early in the summer it was proposed that the meeting in the fall of 1914 be held in New York. The Society accepted with pleasure the courteous invitation of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church to hold the meeting in their edifice and the service was accordingly held on Thursday evening, October 8, 1914. Home Secretary Fred P. Haggard and District Secretary A. L. Snell were in charge of the service and Rev. Charles A. Eaton, D.D., pastor of the church, delivered the closing address. In response to publicity in the Watchman-Examiner and announcements from the New York pulpits a large audience was present. It was in every respect an inspiring occasion and also from the nature of the service an occasion of sadness. The following missionaries were seated on the platform and spoke briefly: Rev. Z. D. Browne and Mrs. Browne, Dr. Mary W. Bacheler, Mrs. I. M. Holder, Miss Amorette Porter, Miss Ruth Daniels, Rev. W. F. Dowd and Mrs. Dowd, Mrs. S. A. D. Boggs, Miss Frances Crozier, Miss Omie Carter, Rev. William Pettigrew and Mrs. Pettigrew, Rev. A. C. Hanna and Mrs. Hanna. On the following Saturday these missionaries sailed for their respective fields.

Homes for Missionaries

The three homes maintained by the Society for the use of missionaries on furlough have been occupied throughout the year. The famous Judson Home, birthplace of Adoniram Judson, at Malden, Mass., accommodates two families and the two houses at Granville, Ohio, the Thresher Home and the Beaver Home, both being the gift of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Beaver of Dayton, Ohio, accommodate one family each. The missionaries pay rent for the occupancy of these houses, thus furnishing a revenue which provides for maintenance and necessary repairs. The houses therefore do not involve expense to the Society. The Judson House, owing to extensive alterations and repairs at the time the house came into the possession of the Society, is now in good condition. It is hoped that several more such houses will be acquired by the Society in order to meet a long felt want. Missionaries coming home on furlough without furniture and household necessities are frequently placed in an embarrassing position owing to the difficulty experienced in finding a temporary home.

Homes for Missionaries' Children

The Society maintains two homes for the children of missionaries. One is located at Morgan Park, a suburb of Chicago, Illinois, and is known as the Bacon Home; the other is the Fannie Doane Home, at Granville, Ohio. Dr. W. H. Doane, the well-known hymn writer whose generosity made the Fannie Doane Home possible, has recently made to the Society a substantial gift of bonds which upon maturity will form a principal, the income of which is to be used in the further maintenance of that home. He has also made a special gift of $3,000 to provide for a much needed addition and other necessary repairs. During the past year this home has accommodated fifteen children, representing nine missionary families. It has been under the efficient supervision of Miss Charlotte Clark. The Bacon Home, under the matronly care of Mrs. Ada E. Lewis, has provided for seventeen children, representing seven missionary families. This home has undergone most extensive repairs during the past year which have represented an accumulated need covering a period of many years. The house is now in a thoroughly renovated condition, and will answer the purposes of a home for missionaries' children

in a most satisfactory way. A third home in Newton Center, Mass., is under the direction of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Mrs. M. R. West continues to be the capable superintendent, and during the past year has cared for seventeen children from thirteen missionary families.

A local board of managers direct the affairs of each home, and everything possible is done to make these establishments real homes for the children, whose separation from their parents is one of the costly sacrifices of the missionary's career. One incident will suffice to show the homelike atmosphere. On Thanksgiving Day the usual feast was prepared for the children, and each child was presented with a souvenir Judson Centennial Medal.

Called to Higher Service

Among the missionaries who completed their earthly service during the past year are some whose names have been household words for a generation or more in homes where missionary work and workers have been loved and honored. Mrs. Lyman Jewett, who passed away on March 15, 1915, had been absent from the field for many years, but her quiet, loving devotion and the more widely known service of her husband, Dr. Jewett, have given to these two missionaries a unique place in the annals of the Telugu mission. The mission owes to these two pioneers a debt which it is already beginning to repay through the large ingatherings reported in this and preceding years.

The name of Vinton has long been identified with the work for the Karens in Burma and especially in and about Rangoon. Mrs. J. H. Vinton, whose recollections of Judson were one of the interesting features of the Centennial Celebration in Rangoon, in December, 1913, survived that occasion by only a few months. Rich in years and service and in the affection of the Karens, she was called home on September 21, 1914. One of the keen regrets of her later years was the fact that her son, Rev. Sumner R. Vinton, and his wife were detained in America on account of ill health and so could not continue the apostolic succession in the Rangoon Karen work. A daughter of Mrs. Vinton, however, Mrs. A. E. Seagrave, with her husband, is engaged in this field.

After a life of great devotion and usefulness, during which he made a strong impression upon the Baptist cause in Germany,

Dr. Phillip Bickel passed away on November 9, 1914. The latter part of his life had been given more especially to the development of the publication work of the German Baptists at Cassel. In addition to his work in Germany, Dr. Bickel, through the life of his son Captain L. W. Bickel, has made a remarkable contribution to the establishment of Christianity among the people dwelling on the islands of the Inland Sea of Japan.

When the Congo mission was taken over in 1884 from the society organized by Dr. Guiness at London, its greatest asset, apart from the divine resources, lay in the group of missionary workers, tried and devoted, who came to us. A considerable number of them have continued in the service to the present day. One of this group, Rev. A. Billington, who had labored quietly but faithfully and effectively for many years at the station of Tshumbiri, formerly known as Bwemba, was called upon to lay down his task after several months of severe illness, at Matadi, on February 24, 1915, just as he was about to embark for England in the hope of regaining his health and strength.

Rev. M. B. Kirkpatrick, M.D., who after several years in America had returned to Burma in 1913 to have charge of the English church and evangelistic work in Moulmein, died suddenly at Hsipaw on February 10, 1915. Mrs. Kirkpatrick's health had not been good at Moulmein and it was thought that by removing to Hsipaw in the Shan States, where they had labored in former years, Dr. Kirkpatrick and his wife might be able to continue for some time on the field. Dr. Kirkpatrick leaves a son, C. A. Kirkpatrick, M.D., who has been at work among the Shans at Namkham for several years.

Another Burma missionary whose work in Burma is closed is Mrs. H. P. Cochrane, who died at Indianapolis on September 4, 1914. Mrs. Cochrane's death followed almost directly upon an illness contracted in Burma, which had necessitated the return of herself and husband to this country in the autumn of 1913. One of her missionary associates writes: "Always frail, timid and nervous, she lacked vitality to withstand the severe strain of a tropical climate, yet she loved the people, braved the climate, and gave the work her best endeavor."

Rev. H. A. Kemp, who labored for many years at Chaochaofu in South China, died very suddenly at his home in Tacoma on June

15, 1914. Mr. Kemp had not seemed seriously ill on the field, and had returned to this country not so much for medical treatment as in order to arrange for the return of Mrs. Kemp to the field with him.

The Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society has lost two of its effective workers from the Telugu field. Miss Sarah R. Bustard had been engaged for many years in evangelistic and school work at Kavali and the end came while she was still upon the scene of her active service, November 4, 1914. Miss Katherine Darmstadt, one of the little company who have contributed so much to give the Nellore station its merited preeminence in educational work for Telugu girls and women, passed away November 27, 1914, after a long illness in the home land.

In addition to these losses by death which the missionary company has sustained, several who have been prevented by ill health or other reasons from returning to the field, have tendered their resignations as missionaries of the Society. The active service list, including those at home on furlough, now numbers 712 as compared with 701 reported last year.

The Need of Spiritual Emphasis and Prayer

The work is grounded in the will of God, and depends upon the power of God. The only true appeal for the cooperation of God's people is on the spiritual plane. Adequate support will be provided only by those who are moved by the spirit of the Master to cheerful sacrifice. We dare not, therefore, fail to keep always in mind the spiritual points of view. Nothing is more essential than to abide in real personal relation to the source of all power.

HOME EXPENDITURES

1814-1915

THE HOME EXPENDITURES of the FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY 1814-1915

A Statement by the Board of Managers

Not a New Topic

EVER since the days of Luther Rice, who came back from Burma nearly a hundred years ago to organize American Baptists for the support of foreign missions, the cost of administering the work has been questioned. Within this period a number of committees have investigated the matter, and practically all of their reports resulted in the same action, with expressions of confidence in the administration and a disbelief that there had been mismanagement or extravagance. Nevertheless, the feeling that what are popularly called "home expenses" are too large, and that they are increasing year by year, does not abate. Annually, usually during the months just preceding the close of the year, public criticisms are freely made. Many of these criticisms are based upon misinformation or lack of information, and do not give evidence of that judicial consideration which the facts in the case and the importance of the subject warrant. It is to be regretted also that these criticisms cannot be reserved for a time or an occasion when they will not affect receipts so unfavorably as they do. Inquiry regarding this or any other matter relating to the work, and friendly constructive criticisms, have always been welcomed by the officers and Board of Managers of the Foreign Mission Society.

Facts that Weigh

A somewhat comprehensive statement on the general subject of expense has long been needed, but naturally officials of the Society have hesitated to make such a statement. Their motives are apt to be misinterpreted and their opinions discounted. Facts, however, always have weight. It is upon these alone that just conclusions may be reached. It seems desirable, therefore, that some of the more important facts and historical references to this problem should be presented, with such deductions as appear

warranted. Throughout the statement which follows the term "home expenditures" will be used to cover everything not included in the corresponding term "foreign expenditures." The use of the expression "home expenses" is misleading, as suggesting that all that is paid out at home is for expense of *administration*.

What Home Expenditures Include

I. For what purposes are Home Expenditures made?

Home Expenditures are incurred for the following:

1. ADMINISTRATION
   - Of the Home Department office
   - Of the work on the foreign field

2. PROMOTION OF INTEREST AND BENEFICENCE
   - Imparting information, including all educational processes
   - Inspirational work among the churches by missionaries, officers and others
   - Collecting funds

3. CULTIVATION OF COLLEGE AND SEMINARY STUDENTS
   - To secure missionary candidates
   - To instil missionary ideas and enthusiasm in those who are to remain at home

4. IMPORTANT GENERAL FUNCTIONS
   - For the denomination
   - For the public and the Kingdom at large

5. INTEREST ON DEBTS AND ON MONEY NEEDED TO MEET CURRENT OBLIGATIONS

A Vast and Steady Work

It will be seen from the above list that much more than the mere cost of *administration*, which is a comparatively small part of the total, is included in home expenditures. Failure to recognize this fact is the cause of most of the misunderstanding. Our people have little conception of the nature of the work involved in the conduct of so great an enterprise, or of the volume of business transacted in the Rooms at Boston and in the offices of the District Secretaries. This work cannot be appreciated and judged at a distance or on the basis of a casual visit to headquarters; nor are reports by persons often poorly qualified to express an opinion on such matters to be trusted. A thorough personal study of these activities on the ground has seldom failed to occasion surprise, to remove previous misconceptions, and to

secure approval. The fact is, the work is vast. Great problems and a multitude of smaller details tax constantly every one to the utmost. There is no specially "busy season" as in most other spheres of activity. Each month of the year furnishes its full stress and strain. A rehearsal of the demands made upon the time and strength of the officers appears incredible to those previously unfamiliar with the facts, and here again is found the cause of much misjudgment and criticism.

For a comprehensive statement of the work and problems of a treasurer of a foreign mission society see an article by Treasurer Dwight H. Day, of the Presbyterian Board, in the *International Review of Missions* for April 1915. A similar article on the life and work of a secretary by Rev. Charles H. Watson, D. D., of the United Presbyterian Board, will be found in the Annual Report of the Foreign Missions Conference for 1915.

II. Extracts from Some Reports on the Subject with the Ratios of Home Expenditures to Total Expenditures in Earlier Years.

Early Investigations

In 1817, three years after the organization of the Society, a special committee of seven, appointed "to investigate the conduct of the Board," reported as follows:

> That after a satisfactory investigation of the proceedings of the Board, they are unanimously of the opinion, that the Board deserve the explicit approbation and thanks of this Convention for their zealous and unremitting labours. Your committee are sensible of the embarrassments which have impeded the operations of the Board, and cannot but view, with regret and disapprobation, the measures which have been taken by certain individuals *to impair the public confidence, and to repress the missionary spirit which has been so happily and extensively excited.*

In 1817 the percentage of home expenditure appears to have been 33.37 per cent. In 1840 it was 14.40 per cent. and yet a special committee, of which Dr. Barnas Sears was chairman, appointed that year to consider this matter, reported as follows:

> The committee appointed to inquire whether any reduction can consistently be made of the expenses at the Missionary Rooms in Boston, have made a careful and minute examination of the details of expense and are unanimously of opinion that there is no point where a sound economy would admit of a reduction.

In 1845 a committee consisting of James H. Duncan and Gardner Colby, after a year of investigation and study, made a report

on the subject of home expenditures which was full, detailed, explicit and favorable, although the percentage for 1844 was 13.25 per cent. and for 1845, 12.70 per cent.

What some Practical men Said

In 1848 another special "Committee on Home Expenses" reported that:

> As practical men, therefore, who feel ourselves called to take things as they are and not as they ought to be, we cannot see wherein the *past expenses* of the Executive Committee, or the *future policy* as detailed in their report on Home Expenditures, could be materially altered or improved. The aggregate of these expenditures the past year, exclusive of the income of the Secretary Fund, was $12,806.92, or about 13 per cent. This, we deem a very moderate percentage as compared with the percentage in other societies, or even with that of this Society in previous years.

There is evidently a typographical error in this latter report, for the percentage was actually 16.46 per cent. on the uniform basis of calculation. The "Secretary Fund" now (1915) amounts to $89,310. The income from it, however, is not credited directly to the salaries but is included in the total of "Income from Funds."

In 1851 an exhaustive report covering nine pages in small type on the subject of salaries was made to the Board by a special committee.

In 1854 the committee on the finances of the Society closed their report with the following paragraph:

> The Committee beg leave to urge the importance of the strictest economy in the department of home expenditures, and they suggest an inquiry by the Executive Committee, as to the practicability of reducing the number of persons engaged in the service of the Union at the Missionary Rooms. They desire to be distinctly understood as making this suggestion, not because they have themselves settled any practicable retrenchments, *but to meet the calls of contributors for frequent examinations at this point.*

In May, 1883, certain charges against the financial management of the Society were made by a correspondent in the *New York Herald*. These charges were commented upon favorably by one of our denominational papers in two editorials. In the annual meeting of that year Hon. Eustace C. Fitz completely refuted the charges and his statement was ordered published. A few copies of this statement, which will be found to be exceptionally able and convincing, are still in existence. A strong resolution of confidence in the management of the Society was adopted.

In 1898 a committee consisting of Wallace Buttrick, W. A. Stevens, Sylvester Burnham, B. L. Whitman and Edward Goodman made a report "on the whole matter of salaries and home expenses." The gist of their rather elaborate outline is contained in the following sentence: "Wise policy forbids curtailment of the missionary enterprise to meet a conception that is defective because based upon partial information, partial interest or partial service." (See special reference to salaries by this committee later in this statement.)

In 1901 the first of the more recent reports on coordination was presented by the Commission on Coordination and also an extended report on collecting agencies. The Committee of Fifteen was named in 1902 at St. Paul, and at the same meeting there was an extended discussion of the problem of expense, particularly that relating to district secretaries. The Committee of Fifteen reported in 1903.

Laymen's [illegible] 1908

In 1908 a special committee of "seven business men not officially connected with the Society" was appointed to consider "the whole matter of home expense, especially with reference to expenses at the Rooms." This committee consisted of such well known and capable men as: C. C. Barry, W. A. Grippin, W. D. Chamberlin, W. H. Waite, W. J. Hobbs, D. G. Garabrant and W. S. Hubbell. In addition the Northern Baptist Convention named Messrs. Barry, Hobbs and Kendall a special committee to look over the books and accounts of the Society. "These two committees worked in harmony and employed the services of Harvey S. Chase and Co., certified public accountants, to inquire into all the details of administration at the Rooms with a view to possible recommendations as to desirable changes in methods or diminution in the expense of conducting the work in any of the departments." Their report filled fourteen printed pages. It was frank, suggestive and, in all matters that had been criticized, commendatory. The Committee on Cooperating Organizations of the Northern Baptist Convention in its report to the Convention commented thus on this report:

> No part of this able report has been studied with keener interest by us than the paragraph dealing with the question of home expenses, together with the report of the Special Committee appointed at Oklahoma City to consider the question, especially "with reference to expenses at the Rooms." To all seeking exact information we would recommend this exhaustive analysis made by the public accountants employed by this committee.

The last report on the general subject of home expenditures was presented at Des Moines in 1912 by a special committee of the Convention. This report contained some unfortunate inaccuracies such as the statement that a large expense is incurred annually to transport the general officers to the annual meeting, in 1911 amounting to $3,516.03. As a matter of fact the amount involved for the general officers was only $115.00 and $415.00 for district secretaries. There were likewise a number of unsupported generalizations such as "We question whether a good deal of this money spent on promotion does not fail to accomplish its purpose." The report also contained the following: "The Society cannot be expected to be managed now with the same expense needed when it was much smaller." In the table of ratios shown in Section III it will be seen that the average of home expenditures for the last twenty years is only about one per cent. more than for the previous twenty years, and is really less than for some earlier years. So small an increase would seem to satisfy fully the committee's own ideas as to increased cost of doing business. The Convention by a practically unanimous vote declined to adopt the recommendation attached to the report to "restrict" the Society to a slightly decreased arbitrary amount for home expenditures. The Convention did, however, adopt the one other recommendation, to *appoint another committee* "to consider carefully the entire question of the Society's organization, its management and its cooperation with affiliated organizations." The records also show that during this period of one hundred years the officers and the Executive Board have made repeated examinations of this matter on their own initiative with a view to effecting possible economies.

Practically Uniform Reports

A full reading of the foregoing reports, considered in connection with the actions taken upon them, will show conclusively that whenever all the facts have been brought out through investigation, report and discussion, the denomination has not hesitated to endorse the work and expenses of the Society as its oldest missionary agency. Why, then, has the criticism not ceased? Why does the demand for an investigation of the subject recur? Is it because we forget, or because we are distrustful of leadership and organization?

Why also should the *foreign* society only among our Baptist organizations always be the subject of inquiry on this matter of

expenses? As will be shown in the next section, its expenses are no more than those of any of the others and are less than those of some. Is there a vague feeling that somehow gifts for foreign missions are more sacred than those for other objects, and should be exempt from the customary expense charges?

III. Ratios during Recent Years.*

Illuminating Figures

For the twenty years prior to 1896 home expenditures averaged 13.21 per cent. During the past twenty years the average was 14.95 per cent. Year by year they have been as follows:

Years	Total Expenditures	Home Expenditures	Home Expenditures to Total Expenditures
1896	$496,055.22	$71,309.07	14.37%
1897	472,048.79	66,813.30	14.15
1898	457,657.28	61,484.88	13.43
1899	446,368.54	59,714.06	13.38
1900	488,536.81	69,158.73	14.16
1901	455,889.21	76,024.86	16.67
1902	505,992.66	79,863.96	15.78
1903	544,980.24	88,753.10	16.28
1904	589,207.86	92,616.49	15.70
1905	587,709.87	105,029.28	17.85
1906	765,300.26	109,360.98	14.29
1907	787,535.92	113,065.41	14.36
1908	800,693.85	117,873.85	14.72
1909	804,434.90	130,538.75	16.23
1910	826,635.86	139,462.51	16.87
1911	907,320.99	143,062.41	15.77
1912	927,673.89	136,922.08	14.76
1913	1,038,095.73	135,187.06	13.02
1914	985,544.33	132,550.54	13.45
1915	990,282.28	135,928.62	13.73

All the percentages mentioned that far have been separately calculated on a uniform basis, figures relating to the woman's societies being first eliminated. Three observations on these statistics should be noted:

(1) There has been no material change in the percentage of home expenditures in a hundred years. The tendency in very recent years has been downward, not upward, as is generally supposed.

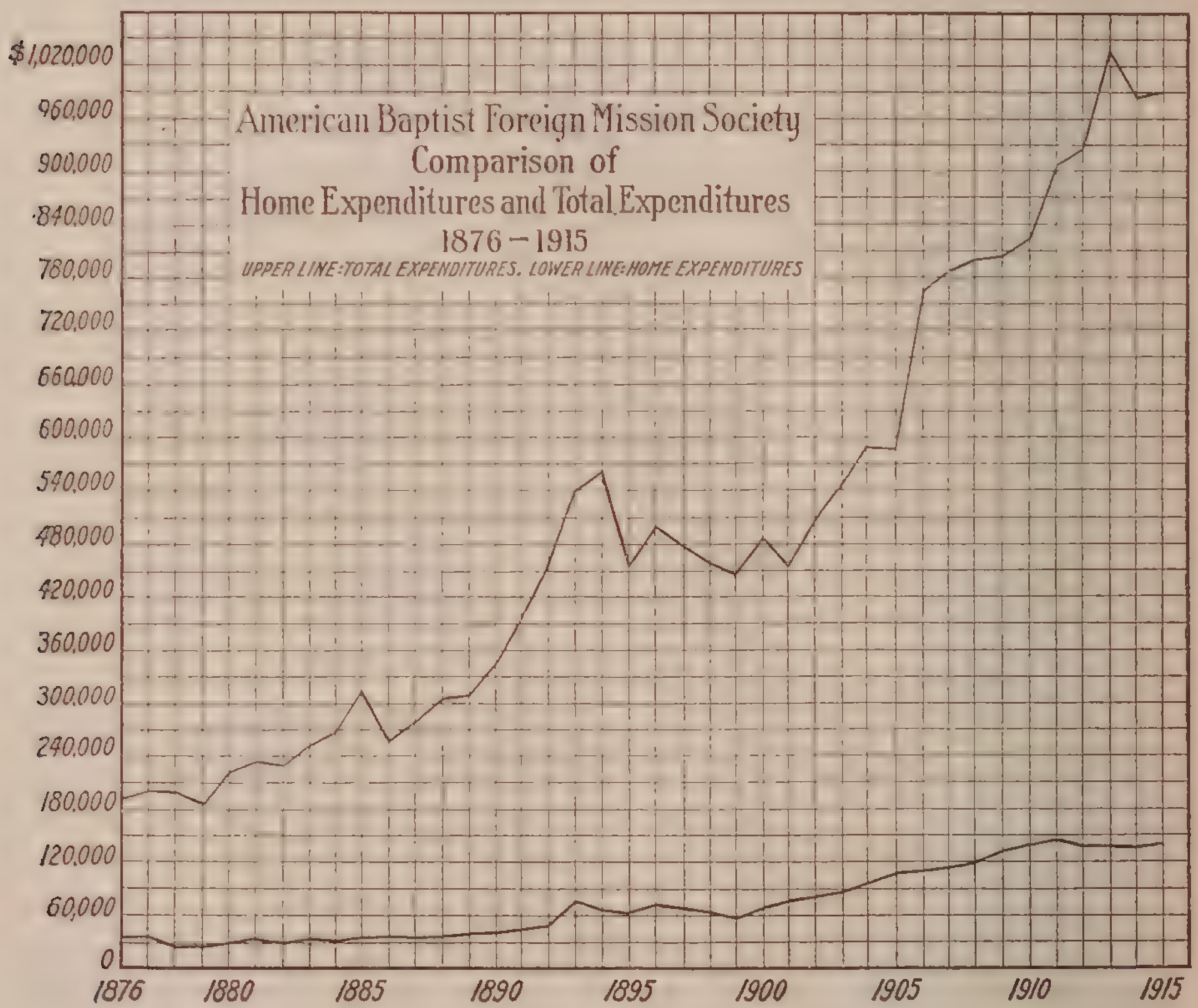
(2) The slightly larger average for the past twenty years has been due to a demand for a more businesslike administration, for more and better literature, for more field work by officers

* The difference between the ratios here given and those included in the report of 1908 and the diagrams contained in the pamphlet entitled, "Centennial Survey" is that the ratios in both these documents are based on figures which include amounts relating to the Woman's Society while from this statement all such amounts are excluded.

and missionaries, and since 1908 to certain additional expenditures on account of the Northern Baptist Convention. Furthermore, it costs more to do business today than it did twenty years ago.

(3) The higher ratios in 1901 and 1905 are explained by the diminished receipts and total expenditures for those years, without the possibility of immediate corresponding reductions in home expenditures.

The attached diagram will show graphically the expenditures of the Society for all purposes during the past forty years, exclusive of payments on account of the Woman's Society, as compared with home expenditures.



That the total amount paid out for home expenditures has increased during the past years is not denied. Some have been misled by this fact, but the important thing to remember is that the income of the Society has likewise increased. The figures thus far given show that the *proportion* between total expenditures and home expenditures has remained about stationary, with a recent tendency to decline.

More Money Given than is Given

Not only is it not true that home expenditures are increasing, in proportion, but there is another extremely interesting and important fact that should be noted, namely: that of the total income, not including contributions for the debt, for the year ending March 31, 1915 ($927,528.78), $741,179.44 came from living donors, including specific gifts, and $186,528.78 from legacies, lapsed annuities and income from permanent funds, with a small amount from miscellaneous sources. In other words, about four-fifths of the total income is received from the living. To each dollar they gave it was possible to add 25.14 cents from the other sources mentioned. After taking 13.73 cents for home expenditures from each dollar contributed, leaving 86.27 cents for the work, the addition of the 25.14 cents increased the diminished dollar to $1.11. Manifestly it would not be proper to apply receipts from legacies, annuities and funds to the payment of expenses, and this is never done except in the case of income derived from the special fund already referred to. The foregoing figures are given, however, to show how utterly false is the popular notion that the total amount of money sent abroad represents only 86.27 per cent. of the contributions from the living. The amount sent is 111.00 per cent. of such contributions! Then there should not be forgotten the large gifts to the work by the native Christians on the mission fields. In 1914 these gifts amounted to more than $160,253.

IV. Some Comparisons.

Below the Average

Attempts to make comparison of the home expenditures of our Society with the expenses of other organizations have added to the confusion and misunderstanding regarding this problem. It is not easy to make accurate comparisons for the reason that, in the case of missionary societies no two keep their accounts in the same manner and one may easily be misled. Then there are always a great many facts to be taken into consideration that do not appear as figures in an annual report. The statements which follow have been carefully prepared and the details verified.

Even on the supposition that all home expenditures are made for purely administrative purposes which, as was pointed out in the foregoing is not the case, the relative cost of conducting the work of *foreign* mission societies, including our own, is as a rule less

than that of home organizations. The Congregational Home Missionary Society a few years ago published the following statement:

> The average annual percentage of the operating expenses of the society to the total of its receipts for the past five years, including the year just closed, is about fifteen and one-half per cent. During these last twelve months the society administered $337,000 (including money borrowed from the bank to cover an exceptional shrinkage in legacies) at a cost of *sixteen and one-half per cent.* This is nearly the same rate as that of the other home societies, exceeding the highest of these by less than one-half of one per cent.

Expense of Stimulation

It is claimed that much that is figured into the cost of home mission organizations should not be considered, since it represents the services of secretaries and others engaged in inspirational work of great value to the churches. This is quite true, but it is just as true of the officers of a foreign mission society and of much of the work which they and the missionaries do. Considerably less than one-half of the total home expenditures should be reckoned as administrative expense. The remainder represents actual values in educational, inspirational and other services enjoyed by the churches through correspondence, literature, addresses, etc. The percentage for 1915 should be divided about as follows:

Foreign Department Administration	3.44 per cent.
Home Department Administration	2.88 " "
Promotion of Interest and Beneficence	5.49 " "
Miscellaneous (including Interest, etc.)	1.92 " "
	13.73 " "

The home expenditures of the largest missionary society in the world, the Church Missionary Society of England, with an income of $2,475,002 in 1914, figured on exactly the same basis as that of our Society were 11.44 per cent., while those of the English Baptist Missionary Society were 16.66 per cent. The expenses of our Society are not so great as in the case of so-called independent foreign missionary societies, and are very much less than for business enterprises. The administrative cost or overhead charges in business runs from fifteen to forty per cent., in the majority of cases being above twenty.

Unfair Comparison

Dr. Arthur J. Brown, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of Northern Presbyterians, in a recently published pamphlet, states that the home expenditures of that board for the year 1914 were only 6.45 per cent., while Northern Methodists claim a percentage of 7.5 per cent. These figures are probably correct from

the point of view of these organizations. Baptists, however, do themselves and their Society a great injustice when they compare their expenditures with those of these and other denominations. When all the facts are taken into consideration they will not greatly differ. Only a few of these facts can be referred to here.

In the case of the Presbyterian Board, for example, they have practically no expense for rental, though occupying much more extensive and expensive quarters than the Baptist Society. Furthermore, several of their officers, who are financially able to do so, serve without salaries, the salaries of others being considerably higher than for the officers of our Society. Special items of expense are often cared for by private persons. In addition, due consideration must be given to the effectiveness of the ecclesiastical organization of that denomination, including the presbyterial and synodical missionary committees. All these helps cost the foreign mission board nothing, though they are of material assistance in stimulating offerings. The large gifts of the woman's auxiliaries also are included in the receipts of this Board, while the expenses of these organizations are almost wholly eliminated. As Baptists we have no ecclesiastical system like that of the Presbyterians or of the Methodists, nor would we be likely to consent to the establishment of one. We pay the price of such a system, however, and charge it to our missionary societies.

If the Methodist Foreign Mission Society were compelled to enter on their books, as expense, the same classes of items that appear in the treasurer's report of our Society, their home expenditures would undoubtedly be as great or greater than ours. For example, in New England alone there are twenty-two Methodist district superintendents, including those for foreign speaking churches, and one resident bishop. All of these men exert distinct influence upon missionary offerings, although none of their expenses is charged to the missionary societies. These expenses are paid out of other funds. Baptists have only one missionary secretary for New England, and he acts jointly for three societies. Even if we add the secretaries of the six state conventions, there are only seven general men as compared with twenty-three among Methodists, although our membership for the same territory is 167,004 as compared with 161,471 Methodists. Furthermore, without ecclesiastical machinery or ecclesiastical officials the

officers of our societies are compelled to render a large amount of general service to the denomination. Shall we complain at a class of expenditures (for district secretaries and the stimulation of interest and beneficence) which after all is relatively small, simply because it is charged to the missionary societies? Since the churches pay the bills anyway, whether under the Methodist or the Baptist plan, why should it make any difference if these bills are paid through the missionary societies?

Broad as it is Long

Employing the same tests applied to the Foreign Mission Society, a most interesting comparison could be made between the administrative expenses of the Society and those of colleges and theological seminaries. But space will not permit this.

The recognition and acceptance of one simple fact would clarify this whole subject, namely, that our denominational organizations and finances are so arranged that so-called expenses are largely concentrated in the reports of the missionary societies, while in other denominations these are scattered through many accounts. Surely, however, we do not need to resort artificially to this latter method, as some have proposed. We ought not to try to deceive ourselves into thinking that the work costs or should cost less than it really does. All things considered it does not now cost more than among others. Double the present income could be handled on slight, if any, increase in cost.

V. The Purpose of a Foreign Mission Society

The Broader View

What, after all, is the real purpose of a foreign mission society? This is not simply what many, apparently, have thought, namely, to send as much money as possible to heathen lands. The real purpose of such an organization is to assist the Church at large in its work of making Christ known to the whole world, with a view to its complete redemption and to act as the agent of the churches of its denomination in the accomplishment of their divine mission. While every expenditure which might in some small degree promote this object may not wisely be made, no payment which will largely or ultimately contribute to the success of the enterprise should be withheld, merely because it is not to be technically applied to what is thought of as "actual mission work." Such a division of our resources, which are too meagre at best, would be arbitrary and would work most disastrously

against the broadest development of the Kingdom. If insisted upon too literally it would be impossible to justify such expenses as that involved in recruiting men and women for the service, in sending missionaries to visit the churches and other similar items.

All Work for the Kingdom

There has been much confusion of thought as to when our money begins to do foreign mission work, for surely the cost (a home expenditure) of sending to a missionary on the field his salary and supplies is as much a foreign mission expenditure as are his payments for a man to teach him the language or for a native to help him preach the gospel. The cost involved in helping the Church at home to get a broader vision of the field and increase its contributions is as properly paid from the foreign mission treasury as are the expenses of a missionary in Burma for touring among the churches to help them become self-governing, self-supporting and self-propagating; in short, while all proposed expenditures should be scrutinized and approved or rejected upon their merits, it is confusing and illogical to advocate that one part of our foreign mission contributions is legitimately used because spent on the field, while the other is practically diverted since that for which it pays is not missions but "merely expense." This argument is as misleading and as harmful in its tendencies as is a separation of our time and affairs into the secular and religious. Let us practice the strictest economy consistent with effective work — let us challenge every request for the expenditure of money both at home and abroad; but let us forever have done with that notion that what some choose to call cost of administration is waste because it is not paid out on a foreign field

The Edinburgh Conference probably did more to set forward the work of the Kingdom than any single event since New Testament times, yet the cost of cooperation by our Society on behalf of the denomination in that conference, and in preparation for it, was a "home expenditure." Dr. Mott has said that the work of one subcommittee of one of the Commissions of the Conference, the subcommittee on Missionary Survey (Unoccupied Fields) is already clearly seen to be of many times more value than the entire cost of the gathering.

A given expenditure at home may accomplish vastly more for foreign missions than a like amount spent on the field. The objective of the Allies in the Great War is in Europe but they are

spending a large part of their war resources in England and in the United States. Now all this is not a plea for excessive or unlimited expenditure of foreign mission funds at home. It is, however, a plea that we look at this matter in a broad minded, practical manner, and do not insist upon an arbitrary division of the dollar to the hindrance of the very work we are trying to set forward. Nor should the fact be forgotten that the creation and stimulation of interest in foreign missions in the local churches is one of the surest means of developing the spiritual life of the membership and of increasing the effectiveness of its service for its own community.

Reflex Influence

VI. Why Home Expenditures have not been still further reduced

There are two reasons:

Cost Only What Efficiency Demands

First. Because the Board of Managers of the Society and the officers, with all the facts before them, and in the conscientious discharge of their duty, have been unable to do that which experience and judgment convince them would seriously impede the work. And this is but another way of expressing the opinion that the work cannot be conducted efficiently on a smaller percentage of cost. The human desire to avoid the harsh criticisms directed against them, if nothing else, would certainly lead any body of men in the position of those appointed to have charge of this work to take any reasonable steps in the direction of reduced expenditures if they could do so in good conscience. More than one man has accepted membership on the Board with a firm determination to do all in his power to bring about a change, but intimate knowledge of the facts has usually altered his opinion. For the only way to reach a just conclusion in the matter is to consider, not simply the total expenditures, but the items one by one, each on its merits. Only those in closest contact with the work can know the facts about these individual items.

Second. Because those who elect the Board and the officers, namely, the members of the churches and of the Society, have on every one of the many occasions, during the past one hundred years, when the question has been brought squarely before them, refused to order a reduction. It is true that the necessity for this or that item of expenditure, in turn, has been disputed by some, but long years of experience and discussion have eliminated practically all expenditures except those definitely demanded by

a majority of our people or approved as necessarily involved in doing those things with which the Society has charged the Board and the officers. It is capable of the most complete demonstration that no expenditures beyond these are being incurred.

Take, for example, the reports on the subject of "agencies" and "district secretaries," covering a period of one hundred years (an entirely different series of reports from those referred to in Section II). These reports are numerous, voluminous, able and illuminating. On the one hand there has been the persistent objection to the maintenance of these agencies on the ground of expense, and in the belief that the work should be done by pastors and others, thus rendering agents unnecessary. On the other hand every time the question has been thoroughly gone into and a fresh decision made there was practical unanimity for the retention of the agencies. And this was sane and logical. To cut them off would leave us as a denomination without any of those aids found necessary in all other denominations. The fact that in our case the total cost of these agencies must be charged to the missionary societies should not deter us from pursuing what good judgment, experience and necessity alike demand. In any event the money comes from the same people, and it is certain that the total cost is no greater for Baptists than for other bodies.

Criticism Either Way

The joint district secretaryship is supposed to be in the direction of retrenchment in expense, and the Board of the Foreign Mission Society have cordially cooperated to make a fair trial of it. Only two district secretaries out of twelve formerly employed now give themselves wholly to the work of the Foreign Society. But already there is observed a growing feeling of discontent *among the churches* over the diminution in the number of men available for service among them, for it is evident that one man cannot do the work which formerly taxed two and three. Friends of the different phases of the work are claiming that adequate presentation of our missions is not being made.

Not only have there been repeated decisions not to assume responsibility for a radical reduction in home expenditures, but the denomination as a whole has failed to demonstrate its ability or willingness, with notable exceptions in the case of some churches and individuals, to save expenses for the Society in the many ways in which this could easily be done. Who call the secretaries to supply their pulpits and help them raise the apportionments?

Who make the Expense Bills

Who urge that the missionaries spend their furloughs in visiting the churches? Who flood the desks of the officers with correspondence that requires the employment of hours of time and the service of stenographers, clerks and others to answer? Who use the literature, the curios, the stereopticon lectures furnished by the Society? Who object if all this service is not freely and promptly rendered, and if this material is not fresh, attractive and abundant? Who fail to forward collections regularly throughout the year and thus force the Society to borrow money? (Three fourths of the total income is received in the last fifteen days of the year.) Who, after all, make the expense bills? The Board and officers try to meet a *small part only* of the constant, persistent demand for service and material by those who somehow feel that the resultant total expenditure is too large. If churches always acted as ideally as the Board and officers are expected to act, there would be less need for agents and agencies. The money would flow in and there would be required only a receiving and disbursing officer with limited quarters and a minimum of expense. Until this condition is at least approximated many of the things now objected to will have to be continued.

Investigation has never justified the Critics

It has never been shown that in the amount of office space occupied, the number of officials employed, the number of clerks and stenographers engaged, the literature printed and distributed, and the travel and incidental expenses incurred, the Board and officers of the Foreign Mission Society have exceeded either that which legitimate demands have required, or the proportionate expenditure of other similar organizations for the same items. A mass of authenticated details is available to establish this fact.

Many of the criticisms of the work of the officers and the Board have little point unless they imply that it should be possible to please everybody; for it is true that practically no decision is made or action taken that does not have both strong advocates and strong opponents. It is important that all should constantly try to display a spirit of Christian charity.

At this point the question may fairly be asked whether after a hundred years of discussion and many practically unanimous decisions the time has not come for us to stop chasing an idea that few, after all, are prepared to admit practicable. We are wasting precious time and energy which, if put forth in pushing our work, would enable us to make decided gains.

VII. The Cost of the Criticism of Home Expenditures

To criticize is human and occasions for criticism are inevitable in the lives of individuals and in all organizations of human beings. As has already been stated the officers and Board of Managers of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society not only expect to receive criticisms but they welcome all that are suggestive and are founded on fact. They are not unduly sensitive personally; and, indeed, are not thinking of themselves but of the work and the known disastrous effect of constant destructive criticism, especially that which is not justified by facts. The effect of these things upon those who are making wills or who would take out annuity bonds is known to be most serious, and it is certain that thousands of dollars have been lost to the Society because of them. Criticisms probably result in more loss annually than the excess of expenditures complained of. Too little thought has been given to this phase of the subject.

Cost of Unjust Criticism

Take, for example, the case of a man who has been giving to missions for years in a small way, guided largely by sentimental regard for certain missionaries. At length he hears it stated, and the statement is repeated many times, that a large part of his money goes to pay the exorbitant salaries of men who do little but draw their salaries and travel about luxuriously at his expense. He does not know that such statements are utterly untrue. How much missionary zeal and faith must this man have to continue his offerings? Here is a man of means who, like multitudes, had never given anything to missions, until he was finally aroused through contact with the Laymen's Movement. No sooner has he begun to give, however, than he hears that oft repeated calumny, with variations, that "It costs a dollar to send a dollar," or that as compared with other societies, our own is conducted in an "unbusinesslike and extravagant manner." Perhaps he has neither time nor opportunity nor disposition to inquire as to the truth or untruth of these statements; or maybe he is trustful and accepts them at their face value; or possibly he does take the pains to inquire of his pastor, who shares the natural inclination to accept criticisms as fair, and not having the facts at hand to deny them, fears that "they may be all too true." Again he may read in one of the denominational papers an article by one who assumes to know, possibly a missionary, which confirms his worst suspicions, for surely these good men would not write in condemnation unless

they had facts to go upon. Just how much momentum must this man have gained since his laymen's convention to carry him over these obstructions and to reach a point where he can deliver his gifts for missions?

Confidence Essential

Business men would not expect to secure more customers by defaming their business. Can one imagine, for example, that there would ever appear in "The Ford Times," published by the Ford Motor Company in Detroit, an article by one of the stockholders criticising the administration? This little monthly and its contributors "boost" only. Baptists are stockholders in the Foreign Mission Society and should be careful not to do or say anything that is certain to injure its reputation. It is true that our Baptist papers are independent publications, and that just and constructive criticism is not only permissible but welcome. But the spreading of rumor, the magnifying of trifling errors in administration, and especially the childish and untruthful criticism based on misconception and misinformation, — these are what tend to destroy confidence and oftentimes actually stop giving to benevolent organizations, which are peculiarly dependent upon sympathy, sentiment and confidence. This is what makes criticisms cost so much, and this is why it certainly is fair to ask that all criticisms before being made public should be subjected to verification and the scrutiny of good judgment. No one pleads for the denial of the right to criticise; but in behalf of such immortal interests as are involved in the work of missions, it is right to ask that criticism shall not be merely destructive, obstructive and picayune, but that it shall be founded on facts, Christian in spirit, and constructive and helpful in purpose.

Mortgaging the Future

We have spoken of money loss; there are other things quite as important as money. Consider the young people in our Sunday schools and churches and the young men being trained for the ministry who constantly hear these false reports and wrong deductions from recognized facts. What kind of advocates for missions will they be when they are ready to serve as Sunday school teachers, deacons, treasurers of benevolent funds and pastors? We should long ago have had a much larger income had it not been for these hindrances. We lose as fast as we gain. It costs money to repair damages. Recent interviews with leading editors in four of the larger denominations confirmed the opinion that the missionary organizations of those denomina-

tions have never had to contend against such odds to anything like the degree recorded among Baptists. The weekly papers of these denominations have been practically free from a type of critical articles common among us.

This is not an intimation that the denomination should now quietly accept the inevitable, and that friendly constructive criticisms should cease. It is rather a suggestion, an earnest plea that we now do something that will settle matters for a few years at least and thus enable the Board and the officers to give their undivided attention to the work to which they have been appointed. These constant agitations are diverting, weakening and wasteful. In other words, are we getting at the matter in the right way, at the right time and under the right circumstances? We have been investigating and reporting upon it for one hundred years and we seem to have made little headway. A concrete suggestion is offered at the close of the statement.

VIII. Frank Replies to Some Common Criticisms

Common Criticisms Answered

In order to make this statement complete it is deemed necessary to refer to certain concrete items to which attention has been publicly called from time to time. It is unfortunate that this should have to be done, and one may well shrink from the task, but the time has come to speak fully and frankly.

1. The Number of Officers. The real question here is as to the amount of work the denomination desires done. It has always demanded more than it has been possible for the officers to render. At no period in the Society's history has there been a sufficient number of men to do the work required in a manner satisfactory to themselves and the constituency or with the greatest economy of time and money. They could profitably give their whole time to the field, visiting among the churches. On the other hand the demands of the work are such that they ought to be in the office all of the time. These conflicting calls keep them in constant perplexity and under a double burden of responsibility. If they do not always meet the requirements of both it should not be wondered at. The number of officials is no larger in proportion than with other boards and not so great as in the case of some. Any one who has known intimately the life and work of the officers is familiar with the fact that they place no limit on their services.

As a class they are devoted and loyal; not selfish, grasping or seeking to lord it over the churches. They are human, and hence subject to the same frailties as their fellows. They make mistakes. So do men in all walks of life. No one of these men sought his position or seeks to hold it. They were called to be servants of the denomination and such they are.

2. SALARIES. Reference has already been made to a comprehensive report on this subject in 1898. We quote below some of the recommendations from this document which will repay reading in full:

> That the issue raised by criticism upon salaries as excessive be squarely met by stating to the constituency the ground on which this action (fixing the salaries as they have remained up to 1915) is based. . . That the attitude of the present secretaries be made entirely clear to the contributing public so that it shall be understood that this action is taken, notwithstanding the expressed willingness of the secretaries to accept reduced salaries. . . That it be regarded as the fixed policy of the Society to follow the principles recognized in the business world and followed by the most efficient churches in the administration of their own affairs, etc.

The Salary Question frankly discussed

The foregoing report recognized fully the principle which has been followed consistently, that the question of salaries is impersonal, not personal, and that "it is an office that is to be considered, not a man." The Board has proceeded upon the assumption that the work of the Foreign Mission Society is one of the highest expressions of our Christian and denominational life, and hence its offices should be filled by men exceptionally qualified by administrative and executive ability. With these qualifications in mind, the Board has fixed the salaries of the officers not at a high figure, but at the lowest amount that would command respect for the office and the services of the kind required and desired. The denomination has repeatedly approved this policy as wise and dignified, worthy of the position and work of the Society. Criticism that some of the officers could not command as much in other positions is irrelevant and also untrue. The relevant question is whether the officers are competent for their positions. As for the facts, all of the general officers have had opportunities carrying larger salaries. As for comparisons with the salaries of pastors, sometimes made, the truth is that many Baptist churches, which demand the same kind of ability, pay much larger salaries than have ever been paid to secretaries.

It should be borne in mind, also, that the present salaries were fixed in 1898, when the cost of living was fully one-third less than it is today. And while the officers make no record of their contributions, the Board is aware that in times of financial crisis they have been among the first to do their share, as true stewards of what they have received. The Board has no apology to make for its policy in regard to salaries, and if criticism is made, it should be directed against the Board, not the officers, who have nothing to do with the matter.

Expense of Travel

3. EXPENSE OF TRAVEL AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS. Judged by the standards of those who travel extensively for business or pleasure, the expenses of the officers for the items mentioned are very low. There may *appear* to be extravagance in particular cases now and then, especially as observed by those not accustomed to being away from home, or to making frequent long journeys. It is one thing, for example, to go to one convention annually with no duties to perform. A seat in a day coach, a "stand up" lunch, a "room around the corner" could easily be endured by almost anyone. But to be away from home half of one's time; to be under a constant physical and mental strain; to be expected always to be at one's best; to be compelled to save every moment of time possible in order to fulfil important engagements, in many of which grave issues are at stake and important decisions must be reached —such a life demands some conveniences, not to say comforts. Pullman berths at night, car seats on long journeys during the day with table privileges for writing, clean rooms at first class hotels where rates are moderate, wholesome meals at hotels rather than in cheap restaurants — these are ordinary essentials in the life of any man who does much traveling, and no officer of the Foreign Mission Society has ever asked for or enjoyed more. Efficiency and true economy alike suggest that an agent engaged in this kind of work shall be well taken care of, and business firms *require* that their representatives shall have the best, far better than officials of missionary societies have even thought of assuming. Extravagance has never been indulged in nor condoned. If all the facts are charitably considered it is doubtful if any authenticated cases of extravagance can be named. Many instances that have been reported are known to be without foundation.

Field Visitation

4. VISITATIONS OF THE MISSION FIELDS BY OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY. In this respect the Society has never approximated the record of other leading missionary organizations. It is an established policy of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions that one of its officers, or a deputation, of which an officer shall be one, shall visit some part of the mission field each year. Secretary Speer, Treasurer Day and Dr. Boviard, medical advisor of the Board will go out this year (1915.) The same plan obtains among the Methodists. Secretary Taylor only last fall returned from a trip through South America, Northern Africa and Europe where his board have extensive missions. Secretary North is now in the Far East. That any one should question the necessity for these journeys in the conduct of a world-embracing enterprise is the real problem. It is the fact of the questioning that makes it difficult to frame any answer that will be satisfying to those unfamiliar with the nature and needs of the work. These visitations are not pleasure trips. They are of the most exhaustive character both to mind and body, though much less so to officers of denominations in which the wisdom of such journeys is no longer doubted and in which, accordingly, provision is made for proper stenographic and other help for those who travel. In 1898 the late Secretary Samuel W. Duncan lost his life in an attempt to visit India, the *first* secretary with oversight of the missions to visit the fields since 1852. The cares of the office had depleted his strength more than he thought and made him liable to the dangers of such a journey. Secretary Thomas S. Barbour, in the opinion of his friends, owes his physical breakdown largely to the tremendous strain of his trips to the Far East. Secretary James H. Franklin has had and is now having the same experience. No one would desire for personal reasons to go a second time, but the needs of the work demand that this policy of visitation shall be made permanent and that those who go shall be properly provided for on their way. The need is just as great as in the case of large business enterprises. These visits cast no reflection on the conduct of the work by the missionaries and undoubtedly more than pay for themselves in actual results accomplished both on the field and at home. Administration of the work on the field is one of the most important questions now before the Board and the missionaries.

Mention has been made of the travel of the Methodist secre-

taries. It may not generally be known that all Methodist mission fields have resident bishops who return to America on an average of every two years to inspire the churches, collect funds and discuss questions of policy and administration. For years Bishop Thoburn of India returned home biennially with great profit to the work. The point to this reference is that none of the expenses of the journeys of these missionary bishops is borne by the missionary society. Shall Baptists be less enterprising simply because their methods of bookkeeping differ from that of other bodies?

It is well known that our Home Mission Society finds it necessary to visit the fields in which their missionaries labor, to do the same kind of work Dr. Franklin is now doing in China. Dr. Barnes is the "Field" Secretary and is almost constantly employed in this capacity. Dr. Morehouse has only recently (March 1915) returned from an extended visit to the Society's schools in the South and about the same time Dr. White made a trip to Cuba. The Home Mission Society not long ago sent a "delegation" to Mexico. Indeed they are to be commended for their policy in this matter, and so far as we know there has never been criticism of it. Because of distance and larger expense shall the Foreign Mission Society be less attentive to its important work?

5. Size and Maintenance of Headquarters, Rentals, etc. Here again a comparison with other organizations will be favorable to the Baptist Society. The actual needs of the work, familiarity with what is being done at headquarters, and knowledge of how business must be conducted in these days, cannot fail to remove all doubts on this question. The present offices are far from extravagant and are really inadequate, though doubtless they appear to some to be spacious and unnecessary. Does the denomination wish its work done under conditions that would be necessary upon reduced expenditures? Would it be fair to the work to ask men to do what is required of them in obviously inadequate quarters? Here again is seen the need for knowledge of the facts, ability to make true comparisons and to form just judgments.

Head-quarters.

6. Literature. Last year the Methodist Foreign Board spent for general literature, stereopticon supplies, etc., $11,622. Our Society reports an expenditure of $3,765 for similar items for the year just closed. Literature is not being printed in too great abundance, it is not extravagant in character, it is not being accumu-

Good Literature at Moderate Cost

lated in large quantities and it is not being distributed wastefully. To say that there is some loss is to make a statement that is true for every kind of production and effort. But it is confidently asserted that no business house gives closer attention to its affairs than is given by this Society to the business side of its literature department. Whatever the total cost of this literature it represents only a part of what the churches are constantly requiring. There is no possibility of meeting fully the demand on the limited amount allowed in the budget. Furthermore, it is a well known fact that ours was among the first American missionary societies to put their literature department on a sound basis and to produce material of which the denomination could be proud.

The attached table shows the expenditures for literature during the past twelve years and the actual cash sales of this material made possible largely because of its character. It should be noted also that these expenditures were not simply for "leaflets," as is popularly supposed, but they include the following items: Annual Report; leaflets; share in "Missions"; books for library; maps and charts; photographs; stereopticon supplies; postage and express; missionary post cards, Orient Pictures, etc.; advertising; storage and cartage; office salaries and wages; office supplies; deficit on Swedish missionary paper; cuts.

Year	Cash Returns from Sale of Literature	Net Expenditures
1904	$1,781.43	$12,851.95
1905	2,448.24	19,601.89
1906	2,683.48	17,664.20
1907	3,344.12	18,003.06
1908	5,256.91	15,720.54
1909	4,866.81	16,727.01
1910	4,202.35	14,635.88
1911	3,693.68	13,583.82
1912	3,952.66	14,631.23
1913	3,588.47	11,093.01
1914	4,699.19	8,887.49
1915	5,429.52	9,269.29

Efficient Working Force

7. SYSTEM. It has been said that too much system has been introduced in the work of the Society, especially at the Rooms. This fairly illustrates the fundamental defect with us as a people — we forget. Only a few years ago the very opposite criticism was freely made. That the work is as well organized today as that of any business house is not denied. That it is over organized, that there is too much system is capable of the most complete refutation even to a novice in such matters. Experts have never failed to

commend the methods employed. Criticisms in which the system has been referred to as "requiring all the time to work it" have been taken seriously and to the great detriment of the work. Only those methods now in common use among business men are employed and no officer gives a hundredth part of his time to their care and maintenance. Like all good systems that at the Rooms works itself and has fully proved its value as a labor saving, efficiency developing service. Instead of criticism on this point there should be commendation and congratulation.

IX. A Concrete Suggestion

A Plan Proposed

The following suggestion is offered as at least a partial solution of the problem: Provide that the Finance Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention shall have as a part of its duty to make annually a study of this whole question of home expenditures and report thereon. This committee should aim to accomplish in the realm of administration what the auditor secures in the sphere of accounts. It is eminently unwise to permit criticisms to multiply until confidence wanes and suspicion fills the air, and then order an "investigation." We do not pursue that method with a treasurer's books, leaving them unaudited until it is suspected that they are not just right. On the contrary his books are formally and thoroughly examined every year by those whose skill is known and can be certified to. To subject a treasurer's accounts to this annual inspection casts no reflection upon him. He welcomes it and proudly attaches the certificate of the examiner to his annual report. Why should not the Foreign Mission Society provide for an annual statement on this important subject of home expenditures? This should not be for the purpose of criticism or curtailment necessarily, but with a view to helping the Board and the officers develop greater efficiency. A plan of this character is feasible and can be easily worked out.

The Right Attitude Essential

In conclusion, we repeat that it is regrettable that matters presented in this statement have to be discussed in this public way. The justification for such presentation is four-fold: The publicity of the criticism, the very great need that the facts shall be known, the danger that threatens our work unless these facts are understood and accepted, and the importance of a changed

attitude toward questions that have been a source of misunderstanding and a cause of hindrance to the work for a hundred years. May the God of Missions help us to accept anew our mutual responsibilities, to rise above the petty things which annoy and separate us, to devote ourselves with renewed energy to the great tasks before us as a people. Let us all pray for an era of peace and good will in which to give undivided thought and activity to these tasks.

CENTRAL CHINA DEVELOPMENTS

PLANS FOR CENTRAL CHINA

THE Annual Report for 1914 included a complete statement of the "Policy of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society with a Proposed Application to Work in China" and a full discussion of the reasons for the suggested transfer of missionary forces from Central China, together with the steps taken up to the time of the annual meeting to carry that suggestion into effect. The importance of the subject and the interest that has been manifested seem to make it desirable to publish a rather full statement of subsequent developments.

The Board of Managers at the meeting in June 1914 adopted resolutions outlining the procedure which was proposed in dealing with the churches established in connection with the mission in Central China. These resolutions are as follows:

Whereas, the action of the Board looking toward eventual discontinuance of work in Central China contemplated such measures as might be found necessary and practicable for the conservation of the spiritual welfare and future usefulness of the Baptist churches in that region, and

Whereas, it is now evident that it must almost of necessity require some months for our brethren in these churches to determine whether they can best develop their own Christian lives and make their contribution to the life of their country by maintaining their existence as an independent, self-supporting and self-propagating Christian community or by associating themselves with some other Christian community or missionary board, therefore,

Voted: (1) That, unless otherwise instructed by the Society, the Board offer to these churches to continue the services of two evangelistic missionaries and their wives as helpers and advisers in this period of transition and decision, the relation to terminate not later than three years from November, 1913.

(2) That the Society discontinue its support of medical work and schools at such time as the missionaries appointed to this service may advise.

(3) That the Board strongly advise and request the missionaries to advise our Chinese brethren in these churches to care diligently for the education of their children by maintaining schools of their own or placing them in the best Christian schools within reach, and especially to see to it that the young men who give promise of usefulness as Christian preachers and leaders of the Christian community receive the training necessary to fit them for the highest usefulness.

This plan was presented in substance to the committee on reports of the cooperating societies, and the report of that com-

mittee with reference to this subject as adopted by the Convention reads as follows:

"Our Board reports that our work at Hanyang, in Central China, seems to present a proper field for application of this policy. The station was of late establishment (1893). Other denominations with an earlier start and far better equipment occupy practically the same general field. Our territorial allotment there is not a favorable one. To equip the Hanyang station on a basis of efficiency and to provide adequate facilities for the training of Chinese leaders would require resources hopelessly in excess of 'the reasonable expectation' on which the Convention requires the societies to prepare budgets of expenditure, and would inevitably cripple other more hopeful stations. Out of 172 missionaries in China, less than a dozen have written to the Board even questioning their policy in this matter, although the Board receive hundreds of letters from China. One member of the Board is said not to favor the action, but he has not voted against it, even when present.

1. Recent action of the Board taken too late for publication in the report but communicated officially to our committee, provides for the retaining of two of our missionary families at Hanyang for a period of three years from last November, to advise with the Chinese churches of the station as to their future relations.

2. The Board are in communication with two Baptist Boards and a strong undenominational Board, which frequently employs Baptist missionaries, as to the possibility of their taking over the responsibility of the mission.

3. We find, moreover, that this action is not unprecedented. The Board long ago transferred certain stations in Africa to other bodies, and more recently a station in Greece, while still more recently a station in Japan has been dropped.

For these and other reasons, and since the Northern Baptist Convention itself at its meeting a year ago in Detroit voted its approval of the general intensive policy, your Committee feels that the denomination may safely trust the question of this particular application of the policy to the large knowledge and self-sacrificing interest of the Board. It is to be understood, however, that we favor in our foreign fields the conservation and intensification of our evangelistic work."

Immediately after this endorsement by the Convention the action of the Board was communicated to the churches in Central China, and our missionaries at Hanyang, Rev. G. A. Huntley, M.D., and Rev. I. B. Clark, were instructed to confer with each of the churches and ascertain their real wishes, being free to advise them and to point out any facts and contingencies that might not naturally occur to the Chinese brethren themselves. Unfortunately from the very beginning of these conferences with the churches new and divisive influences were introduced which

apparently grew out of a mis-interpretation of the purpose of the Board and which had the effect of so confusing the minds of the Chinese Christians as to what they might really expect from the Board and from the churches in America that there appeared to be real danger that the earnest purpose of the Board to conserve the life and work of these churches would be frustrated. Under these circumstances the Board came to believe that the presence of the Foreign Secretary in China was necessary to bring the matter to a successful issue. The importance of promoting wise plans for the Central China churches made the Board feel justified in asking Secretary Franklin to make a brief visit to China, and he accordingly sailed on this mission January 9 from San Francisco. Dr. Franklin reached Shanghai early in February and proceeded at once to confer not only with Messrs. Huntley and Clark but with Mrs. J. S. Adams, so long intimately associated with the life of the Central China Mission and with representative missionaries from the South and East China missions. Individual personal interviews led to the removal of many mis-apprehensions and to a much better understanding among missionaries who up to that time had taken somewhat different attitudes toward the policy of the Board. A formal conference was then held in which the following missionaries together with Secretary Franklin participated: Rev. William Ashmore, D.D., and Rev. Ben L. Baker of South China; Mrs. J. S. Adams, Rev. G. A. Huntley, M.D., and Rev. I. B. Clark of Central China; Rev. J. T. Proctor, D.D., and Rev. Frank J. White, D.D. of East China; and Rev. W. F. Beaman and Mrs. Beaman formerly of West China. This conference drew up the following statement and recommendations which were signed by all of the missionaries participating.

After conference and prayer together for the past week and after witnessing what seem to us indications of divine guidance, we unanimously and most heartily suggest a plan for submission as a basis for deliberations in a conference of your representatives with the Baptist churches in Central China.

We recommend:

I. That under existing circumstances and in accordance with the Board action of June 16, 1914, the Board should offer to the churches in Central China some plan which contemplates self-support and independence if they give evidence of their readiness to make earnest and genuine efforts in that direction.

II. That the Board offer to the churches in Central China to continue the

services of one evangelistic missionary and his wife as their helpers and advisers in this period of transition, with the expectation that they will continue as advisers and helpers for three years from this time; that after a trial of this plan for three years a careful survey of the situation be made and if the progress of the churches has been in accordance with the obligations assumed, the time be extended one or two years as may seem wise.

III. That in conference with the churches there be determined:

(1) The extent to which concentration of the field may be satisfactorily effected with a view to economy and efficiency;

(2) The number of church organizations which are actually required at present;

(3) The financial support required for the maintenance of the churches; and

(4) What can reasonably be expected from the churches the first, second and third years.

IV. That the two outstations now known as Puchi and Shenshan and perhaps others should not be continued, the Baptists of these localities to be included in the membership of the nearest Baptist church unless they voluntarily elect some other course; that the Baptists in such localities be free to maintain meeting places although the territory be regarded as open for occupancy by other mission bodies prepared to do aggressive work.

V. That a definite agreement be reached with the churches as to what may be expected of them and that the time limits of the plan of cooperation in financing the work correspond with the agreement as to the continuance of the missionary in residence; i.e., for a period of three years, on the understanding that at the expiration of that time there may be an extension of the arrangement if a review of the progress of the churches justify it, with the assurance on the part of the Board to the churches that all reasonable assistance will be offered them if it is evident that they have made earnest and consistent effort toward self-support.

VI. That from the beginning there be a clear understanding on the part of both the churches and the Board of Managers of the Foreign Mission Society on the following points:

(1) If immediately or at any time in the future any church should voluntarily express a desire to be released from the agreement for the purpose of seeking cooperation elsewhere, such church is to be free to ask to be released from this agreement upon a majority vote of the members present at a regularly called meeting of the church, public announcement of the matter to be considered having been given at least two weeks in advance.

(2) If at any time after three years from the date of the agreement the Board of Managers find that any church is not making an honest effort to meet its obligations as undertaken, the Board shall be free to withdraw support from such organization.

(3) The Board of Managers of the Foreign Mission Society shall be free at any time to sell any property now held by them with the distinct understanding, however, that if the condition of the churches, including their progress in self-support, is satisfactory according to the terms of the agreement, the Board shall furnish to the church or churches affected by such sale, suitable place or places of worship.

VII. That the territory formerly and at present known as the Central China Mission of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society become a part of the field of the East China Mission, the work to be administered according to the general principles herein enunciated, it being understood that the commission of three members appointed by Secretary Franklin upon authority given him by the Board of Managers are authorized to recommend to the Board such modifications in details as may seem advisable after a visit to the field.

We are grateful beyond measure that we are able to recommend unanimously a plan which appears to be in harmony with the spirit and purpose of the offer made by the Board to the Baptist churches in Central China in your action of June 16, 1914.

In forwarding these recommendations to you, we would record our grateful recognition of what we believe to have been divine Guidance as we have unitedly sought to know the mind of our Master.

Under the authority conferred upon him by the Board, Dr. Franklin then appointed a special commission of three consisting of Dr. Ashmore, Mrs. Adams and Dr. Proctor to meet him in Hanyang and to lay before the churches the proposals agreed upon by the missionaries in conference in Shanghai. This commission after extended conference with delegates from all of the churches and groups of Christians in the Central China field presented a unanimous report to the Board as follows:

The undersigned were appointed by Secretary Franklin, under your authority, to accompany him to Hanyang, as a commission, jointly with him, to confer with the Baptist churches of Central China with reference to carrying out the decision of the Board concerning that field. While differing among ourselves as to the wisdom of the Board's action, we yet accepted that action as decisive and we are able unanimously and heartily to recommend a plan for carrying out your decision. The main outlines of the plan we submit had been unanimously recommended by a larger conference in Shanghai, February 8 and 9. The Shanghai plan is outlined in full in a letter already forwarded to you.

The commission of three suggested in Section VII of the afore-mentioned letter were appointed by Secretary Franklin as follows: Mrs. J. S. Adams, to represent the Central China Mission on nomination of Dr. G. A. Huntley and Rev. I. Brooks Clark; Rev. J. T. Proctor, D. D., to represent the East China

Mission on nomination by the Reference Committee of that Mission; and Rev. William Ashmore, D. D., to represent the South China Mission on the nomination of two representatives of that Mission, sent to confer with Secretary Franklin, being the one member of the two available who could at this particular time best make the journey to Hanyang.

Preceded a few days by Secretary Franklin, Dr. G. A. Huntley and Rev. I. Brooks Clark, the three members of the commission above named reached Hanyang on Tuesday, February 16, and remained there until the 25th of the same month. Delegates from the eight Baptist churches (some of these so-called churches have never been formally organized) had been invited to the Central station in Hanyang for the purpose of meeting with Secretary Franklin and the commission. The first two days were largely given to interviews with the delegates, singly or in groups.

On Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday we met the entire body of the delegates, about forty in number, in the church, and Secretary Franklin and the members of the commission set before them the fact of the Board's action being decisive, explaining at length the financial necessity for such action, and presenting the main features of the plan outlined at Shanghai, and a tentative application of the plan as worked out on the basis of a suggested budget of $700 a year.

The difficulties urged by the Chinese brethren against the carrying out of the plan were very great and very real. They were poor and unable to raise any such sums as were proposed. They had suffered in the Revolution. They had been hoping and waiting for the Board to reverse or modify its action in response to their requests. And the uncertainty of the year past, together with the withdrawal of missionaries and the dismissal of some of the workers had reduced their strength and their giving power. They could not do as they were asked to do. They reiterated the request of last October that the work be kept up until they should gain strength and really be equal to self-support. It was hard, and may we never be called on to do it again, but we were obliged to tell them that the action of the Board was taken after most thorough consideration and was decisive and, as much as we might regret it, we were compelled to face conditions as they are. Furthermore, they were reminded that the Board had given them opportunity to cooperate with some other society, did they so desire, but they had decided against this course and the only alternative was self-support with the temporary help of the Board.

The delegates were asked to appoint from their number a committee of two from each church with an additional member from the Hanyang Central Church, this committee to choose two of their number to meet with members of the commission to translate the proposed plan into Chinese. The plan caused much discussion, but the committee of delegates did not dare to undertake it. After awhile Evangelist Yeh asked whether we could modify the program so as to allow the present force of mission helpers to continue in service for one year more, during which time the churches would see what they could raise by subscription and prepare themselves for the application

of the proposed program. This request seemed not unreasonable and after consultation we at a later session agreed to it.

The program as modified by Evangelist Yeh's suggestion is as follows:

PROGRAM OF PREPARATION FOR SELF-SUPPORT OF THE HUPEH BAPTIST CHURCHES

The Board of Managers of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society have repeatedly declared that, for financial reasons, they are not able to continue their work in Hupeh on its present basis and further that they will be obliged after a few years to withdraw their missionary representatives. At the same time they also declare that they are anxious to conserve the work of the past and that they wish to help the churches to attain to the status of self-support; therefore, the representatives of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, after long consultation with the delegates of the eight churches, recommend to the churches the following plan:

I. The churches will make earnest, genuine and continued efforts to attain to self-support.

II. The Board promise to continue one evangelistic missionary and his wife as helpers and advisers for a period of three years. Then, if at the end of three years a careful survey of the situation shows that the churches have made real progress according to this program of self-support, the time of the missionary's stay may be prolonged another year or two as the state of the case may show to be best.

III. Since it seems difficult to support evangelists or pastors for so many separate churches, we advise a grouping of the churches perhaps as follows: In the Southern Prefecture the Kiayu, Puchi, and Shenshan churches in one group to contribute toward the support of one evangelist or pastor; in the Northern Prefecture the Hanyang, Swangkai, Tsihlimiao, Kinkeo, and Hankow churches in one group to contribute to the support of one evangelist or pastor.

IV. That in cases where the members of a church cannot attend regularly the church where the evangelist or pastor lives because of the great distance, they be encouraged to meet regularly either in the home of one of the members or in a house which they may rent for the purpose, with the help of the Board, as decided by a committee, acting with the missionary, this committee to be called the Joint Committee.

V. That the Board in addition to supporting a missionary family for three or five years also agrees to make appropriation for the work for the same period as follows:

(1) To help the churches support, until the end of this Chinese year, as many evangelists and day schools as the appropriation for this year will make possible, estimated at six or seven evange-

lists and three or four schools, or eight evangelists and fewer schools, the exact amount of work to be determined by the Joint Committee. (Chinese and missionary and representative of the East China Mission.)

(2) Beginning with the first day of the next Chinese year, to help pay the salaries of at least two evangelists or pastors.

(3) In case the subscriptions of the church members justify such a course, to also help in the support of a third and possibly a fourth evangelist for general evangelistic work under the direction of the Joint Committee.

(4) To help pay the rent of the small chapels where needed as determined by the Joint Committee.

(5) To help support one or more primary schools or perhaps to help pay the expenses of pupils in advanced schools in accordance with an agreement to be worked out by the Joint Committee.

VI. That the churches agree to work toward an annual budget of $700, hoping to reach this limit in three or five years, and that they will try to raise $300 the first year and try to increase this amount each year by $100 so as to reach the full budget of $700 in five years.

VII. That the Board agrees to make provision for the evangelists who can not be supported in accordance with this plan, as follows:

(1) Those who can find openings elsewhere to continue preaching will be assisted by recommendations or in other ways to make the transfer.

(2) Those who wish to leave the ministry and to enter business will be asked to continue in service one or two months as they may prefer and at the expiration of this period will be given two months' salary additional. Those who continue in service until the end of this Chinese year will not be given any additional salary.

(3) Those who can be thoroughly recommended by the Joint Committee to take further study for the ministry will, with the approval of the Shanghai Baptist Seminary, be aided while in the seminary.

VIII. That from the beginning there be a clear understanding on the part of both the churches and the Board of Managers of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society on the following points:

(1) If at any time any church should voluntarily express a desire to be released from the agreement for the purpose of seeking cooperation elsewhere, such church is to be free to ask to be released from this agreement upon a majority vote of the members present at a regularly called meeting of the church, public announcement of the matter to be considered having been given at least two weeks in advance.

(2) If at any time after three years from the date of the agreement the Board of Managers find that any church is not making an honest effort to meet its obligations as undertaken, the Board shall be free to withdraw support from such organization.

(3) The Board of Managers of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society shall be free at any time to sell any property now held by them with the distinct understanding, however, that if the condition of the churches including their progress in self-support is satisfactory according to the terms of this agreement, the Board shall furnish to the church or churches affected by such sale suitable place or places of worship.

IX. That the Board will ask the East China Mission to represent it in the administration of the work in Hupeh according to the general principles herein agreed upon.

X. This program is submitted by the Commission, and the delegates are asked to submit it to all the members of the eight churches for their approval before March 23, 1915. After March 23, the Society will cooperate only with the churches which have given their approval. The churches which do not approve will be at liberty to work toward self-support in some other way or to cooperate with some other mission board as they may choose.

This plan was unanimously approved by the members of the special committee of fifteen delegates, but it could not be accepted by them for the churches since they had received no instructions from the congregations to do so, and had not they so requested, we should have felt that the final acceptance of the plan must await the action of the churches as such. It was therefore arranged that the churches be requested to take action within one month and be prepared to report their decision when Secretary Franklin returns to Central China for their answer.

In outlining the plan the commission felt that they must be guided by the ability of the churches. We must not make the program so large or set the standard of giving so high that the churches will feel at the start that attainment is out of the question. So while we would gladly have outlined a larger program it seemed to us safer to suggest a $700 budget as one that the churches might reasonably be expected to reach within the period of three or five years.

We recognize that our program, small as it may seem, will call for effort, self-denial and faith on the part of the churches. It allows a shorter time for the attainment of results than is usually allowed in other cases and under more favorable conditions, but we were on the one hand limited by the action of the Board and on the other it was felt that the shorter time might better spur the churches to effort. Furthermore, while the sum suggested seems large to them as compared with what they have been giving, it is far below the per capita offerings among Baptists in other parts of China. Hence we believe it quite reasonable to expect that the Central China churches may within the time announced reach the standard set for them. We are confident too that

if it is clear after trial that the churches are making real and marked progress in the path outlined for them, and yet they lack a little of full attainment, the Board will treat them generously. We may say that the plan has the approval of the missionaries who have been in charge of the work during the past year. A word of caution may well be spoken here. We must bear in mind that these churches will need time to adjust themselves to the new conditions. Further agitation or outside interference from any source will be very unwise and anything but helpful. Let us not be impatient if large results do not immediately appear, but wait and confidently expect that the churches will justify the faith that we have in them.

We are especially gratified that this plan promises to maintain in the heart of China the Baptist testimony to certain truths that we regard as fundamental. We bespeak for these churches the prayers of all who love God's kingdom, that though at present weak and conscious of their weakness, they may with God's help and in his strength go on from weakness to strength, and then from one degree of strength to another until they shall become a great power in this land.

In conclusion we would record our grateful acknowledgment of God's goodness and his guiding hand in the difficult task that has engaged us. Time and again we have not been able to see the next step ahead, but we have looked to him for help and he has not failed us. Difficulties have disappeared, the way has opened wonderfully, and things have come to pass that we hardly dared hope for. We can not but believe that he who has so signally led and blessed us in these recent days will continue to do so in the days to come. That his kingdom may be advanced and his name exalted as a result of the labor of these days, is our hope and prayer.

As indicated in the report of the special commission the churches were asked to take a month for the further consideration of the plan suggested to them with the understanding that at the expiration of that time Secretary Franklin and one or more representatives of the commission would return for further conference with them and to receive their reply to the proposals. The Board are unable at the date at which this report must go to press to state the particulars of the decision reached by the churches, but cable advices indicate that a full report is on the way. This should be in hand by the time of the annual meetings. The Board would call attention to the fact that the proposals outlined on the field and submitted to the Chinese churches for their consideration are completely in harmony with the procedure indicated in the resolutions adopted last June and endorsed by the Convention. It is evident that Secretary Franklin and the missionaries participating in the conference interpreted that plan in a liberal spirit, as it was the intention of the Board they should.

SUMMARY OF REPORTS FROM THE MISSIONS

THE BURMA MISSION

BURMA, our oldest mission field, presents a vigorous life at the beginning of the second century of missionary effort. The country itself is astir with new agricultural, commercial and industrial development. It produces rice sufficient to feed double its present population. Immigration is setting in from over-crowded India on the one side and from over-crowded China on the other. Indian coolies find remunerative employment for their unskilled labor and Indian and Chinese skilled artisans find better wages than prevail in their own countries. Traders and capitalists are attracted by business opportunities, which they are quick to seize. A Chinese firm in Rangoon operates its own line of four deep-sea steamers to Penang, Singapore, Hongkong, Swatow and Amoy. Before this influx of foreigners, the Burman population is not dying out, as might appear from a casual inspection of the down town crowds in the large cities, but is moving back to the land, as shown by the last census. The value of land and crops is increasing. This movement is a wholesome one, perhaps a providential one, in forcing a proud race, disinclined to manual labor, back to the cultivation of the soil, the basal industry of all sound national development. Under the "Pax Brittanica" the vigorous hill tribes no longer dare a predatory life of warfare on their neighbors, but are settling down to the cultivation of their hillsides and valleys. Railways, steamers, post office and telegraph are opening out communications. Exports and imports are increasing. There is a growing demand for education. Buddhism, once dormant, is now aroused and attempting in the cities to adopt Western methods and organization in hostile opposition to Christianity.

Amid all this change the missionary finds new opportunity to serve his Master. So far from the work of the foreign missionary being done in Burma, it is but well begun. Although notable progress has been made among the Karens and other hill tribes, there remains the great task of winning the Burman race who comprise four-fifths of the population of twelve million people, among whom only one in one thousand has become a Christian, — and the equally vital task of training the native church to accept responsibility up to the measure of its ability to cope with present conditions and the incoming tide of immigration.

There is the whitening harvest of a century's sowing to be reaped. A vigorous policy should have provided for an increase of missionaries this year. Instead of that there has been the greatest shortage of missionaries for ten years. Twenty-nine missionaries came home on furlough in 1914 and up to the date of this annual meeting, viz: Rev. D. A. W. Smith, D.D. and Mrs. Smith, Miss Anna K. Smith, Prof. David Gilmore, Rev. Walter Bushell, Rev. L. H. Mosier and Mrs. Mosier, Rev. A. C. Darrow and Mrs. Darrow, Prof. H. E. Safford and Mrs. Safford, Rev. L. W. Spring and Mrs. Spring, Rev. J. E. Cummings, D.D. and Mrs. Cummings, Rev. F. H. Eveleth

D.D. and Mrs. Eveleth, Rev. W. W. Cochrane, Miss Esther W. Lindberg, Miss Eva R. Price, Miss Bertha W. Clark, Mrs. H. E. Dudley, Rev. S. R. McCurdy and Mrs. McCurdy, Rev. W. F. Thomas, D.D. and Mrs. Thomas, Rev. L. W. Cronkhite, D.D. Rev. M. C. Parish and Mrs. Parish.

Only fourteen missionaries were returned to the field in the same period, viz: Dr. and Mrs. Smith, Miss Smith, Rev. L. B. Rogers and Mrs. Rogers, Rev. C. L. Davenport and Mrs. Davenport, Miss Annie L. Prince, Miss Lisbeth B. Hughes, Miss Frances E. Crooks, Rev. E. Tribolet, Rev. E. B. Roach and Mrs. Roach and Mrs. A. E. Carson. Three new missionaries, Rev. A. C. Hanna and Mrs. Hanna and Mr. R. N. Crawford were sent out for the first time. Fifteen more missionaries ought to be sent out to make good the loss. Three missionaries, Mrs. H. P. Cochrane, Mrs. Julia Haswell Vinton and Rev. M. B. Kirkpatrick, M.D., have died.

In the lack of needed assistance from America, the disposition of the Burma Christians to do their utmost to provide for the needs is the most encouraging feature of the year's work. The statistics of the Burma Baptist Convention for 1914 show an increase in the total offerings of the churches in Burma for all religious purposes including their own support, but not including school fees, of $38,000 above the sum contributed in 1909. The only money now available for advance work in Burma is that contributed by the Burma Christians themselves through the Judson Centennial Fund and their usual channels of benevolence, all of which show increase.

The Lord has not withheld his blessing for 3,863 converts were added by baptism. What might not the ingathering have been, had the field been adequately manned!

WORK FOR THE BURMANS

Burma is the stronghold of Buddhism. In Rangoon is its most famous shrine, the Shwe Dagon Pagoda, to which pilgrims come from all parts of Burma and from India, Ceylon, China and Japan. Just as the Shwe Dagon Pagoda crowns the landscape of Burma's metropolitan seaport, so Buddhism dominates the religious, social, family and village life of the Burmese race even to the remotest hamlet. Only one in one thousand of this race has been won to Christ. An enormous task still confronts the church at the beginning of this second century of missionary endeavor, there being no less than ten millions of Burmans yet to be reached.

Work for this race is carried on at nineteen mission stations: Rangoon, Insein, Moulmein, Tavoy, Bassein, Henzada, Prome, Zigon, Thonze, Pegu, Toungoo, Pyinmana, Meiktila, Myingyan, Mandalay, Maymyo, Sagaing, Bhamo and Pyapon. Including wives, fifty-one missionaries were in active service on the field last year. The work may be classified as evangelistic, educational and literary.

Evangelistic Work

The double burden of evangelistic and educational work is placed upon one man in most of the stations. Only Rev. W. H. S. Hascall and Mrs. Has-

call are set apart to give their whole time to evangelistic work, without the care of a station or of school work. They have made wide tours of the mission stations with a portable organ, two preachers and two Bible women, and with the assistance of the local missionary and his helpers, using a tent, the public square, chapel or schoolroom, have conducted special meetings at Mandalay, Meiktila, Thayetmyo, Prome, Henzada, Thonze and Rangoon. While they have had a good hearing everywhere, with less opposition than in previous years, they report that most of the actual decisions for Christ have been made by pupils in the mission schools. With the help of a motor launch Mr. and Mrs. Hascall have reached many villages difficult of access along the tidal creeks of the lower delta of the Irawadi.

Besides the Hascalls, there are seven other Burman missionaries, who by reason of a small amount of school work at their stations could find time to plan and execute more evangelistic tours of their field if they had larger [illegible] to meet the expense. In some stations like Henzada and Bassein the burden of school work is so heavy, that intensive cultivation of the field already calls for two men, one to give his time to evangelism and the other to educational work as has been done at Mandalay. The villages were never more accessible to the gospel than they are now. Means should be provided for extensive preaching tours through the villages with the whole staff of native preachers that the mission can muster, and with the combined forces of two or three missions for long stretches of river and railway line. Emphasis needs to be placed again upon direct evangelistic work in which the small but awakened Burman church itself should have large participation as preachers, lay workers, singers, and witnesses. Evidence of what may be accomplished by a combined effort in one town is reported by Rev. H. E. Dudley:

"In the month of July we entertained the mid-summer Bible school. Mr. and Mrs. Hascall with their efficient workers spent two weeks in Meiktila town. Rev. E. Grigg and Rev. L. W. Hattersley with their workers were here as well as the preachers from Pyinmana and Mandalay and Maymyo. Mornings were begun with prayer after which we divided into four parties to visit from house to house and to distribute tracts. From noon till three o'clock we studied the Bible together, Thessalonians and Hebrews, giving about an hour each day to the discussion of some special problem. In the evening we had street preaching culminating in a tent meeting. It was difficult sometimes to get the people right into the tent but they would congregate in large numbers along the borders of the tent and we could preach to them thus, our workers all being gathered within. In this way Meiktila town was pretty thoroughly evangelized. Ten were baptized from among the school pupils and one teacher."

Miss Harriet Phinney states that the Burman Christians of Insein have erected for themselves a brick chapel costing 10,000 rupees or $3,200, a large part of which was contributed by two members of the Church, U Pan Di and his wife, Daw U, and that the European congregation which worships there are contributing the pews.

Rev. M. C. Parish of Pegu reports: "We have just closed the best year in the history of the Pegu Mission. We have had thirty-nine baptisms — twenty-four Burmans, eleven Taungthus, three Chinamen, and one Pwo Karen. We also report two churches, an increase of one. The new one is a Taungthu Church, but all the preaching is done in Burmese. There are now twenty members of that church and others are ready for baptism. There are several thousand Taungthus in this district, and all can, and must be reached through Burmese. In another village we already have about fifteen Burman Christians, but as it is one of Rev. E. C. Condict's Chin villages, and has a Chin Church, the Burmans have not organized by themselves."

Rev. F. H. Knollin of Pyapon writes: "From September 1 to December 11 the preachers visited fifty-three villages totalling about 4,196 houses, sold 207 gospels, 374 tracts, and gave away 1,310 tracts and 604 leaflets; about 2,445 persons heard the gospel preached, many for the first time, and discussions, where questions were asked and answered, difficulties stated and met, were held with about 317 persons. Concerning many of the latter there is much hope. That so many in distinctly Buddhist villages are willing to discuss the Christian religion at all is in itself a sign of great promise. Preachers are frequently invited to come again and sometimes to come often, the people saying that they would soon become Christians if they were taught often. Sometimes they find houses and even whole villages where they are not welcome, and the people will not listen to their preaching or read their literature, but even in these hostile places no personal violence is now ever offered. The whole country is open as it never has been open before."

From Rev. B. C. Case of Henzada comes the information: "In the middle of October I held the usual preachers' class for ten days. The life of Christ in outline, Old Testament history down to the Exile, and work in the practice and principles of preaching were studied. There were only nine students but we all had a helpful time. It was a pleasure to see the faces of these preachers from the lonely villages brighten as some new thought they had not heard before came to them or some new tool for their work came to their hand. Outline notes were prepared in Burmese which they took home."

Rev. W. E. Wiatt of Moulmein writes: "It seems to me that we are doing somewhat as the armies in France are doing just now, — fighting from the trenches. There is no break in our line but instead a slow advance. That which we need most of all is faith and earnest prayer. Do not forget to pray."

The following comes from Mr. Hattersley: "The Burman church at Myingyan is in the most hopeful state it has been since we took the work. In June Saya Vaw La, a young evangelist who for five years had been effective as acting pastor of the Bhamo church, became acting pastor of our church, and he very soon united our workers and won the confidence of the townspeople. He has recently received ordination. The evangelistic work has not been neglected."

New Burman Initiative in Evangelism

The story is told by Mr. Hattersley: "Early in the year I was approached by representatives of the Burman Evangelistic Society, an independent move-

ment of Baptist Burman Christians for mission work among thier own people, asking me if I objected to their placing a Burman missionary of their society at Magwe. This city is in the extreme southern part of our field and is one of the next places in Burma eligible for occupation by a missionary from home. Our object being to encourage these people as much as possible to self-evangelization, we were very glad to welcome this overture. Since then a church has been organized at Magwe and the few Christians seem to be very enthusiastic. A small school has also been started. It is possible that this movement may die out, in which case that part of the field could be taken back. But Burman Christians all over this country are contributing to the support of this movement apart from their contributions to their own churches, and as they have a very capable man at Magwe the movement may accomplish large things for the Kingdom. I have assigned all the territory below Sale to them, thus making it more possible for me to really work my own field."

Educational Work

Educational work for the Burmans has before it a wide open door. The Burmans desire English education and are ready to pay the fees necessary to get it. The school has only to be made the best in the vicinity and pupils will increase. In the intimate relation of teacher and pupil is found the great opportunity today of training the minds that will lead the future. Once a good Anglo-vernacular school has been established in a town and provided with a building, teachers and apparatus, the school can become largely self-supporting through fees collected from the pupils and government [illegible]

This is hardly true of a vernacular school in a village, where the school is in competition with the Buddhist monastery and the Buddhist lay school, but even there, because of conscientious work and better teaching, local support can be obtained to provide about half the cost of running expenses. The teacher-preacher placed in charge conducts a day school, a Sunday school, and maintains religious services for the community. He is one of the most valuable agencies in Burman mission work at the present time. Around him grows up a little village church. From his little school, promising pupils go to the station school and thence to the normal school, high school or college for training. Thus a well-organized mission provides for its own staff and for expansion into new villages that want schooling privileges enough to make some effort to get them. Without mission schools, we should have no trained mission workers.

We have a well-organized and growing system of schools for the Burmese from the simple learning of Burmese letters right up to the college, and in ever-increasing numbers, the Burmans are making good use of educational privileges. We must be prepared not to do less school work, but more. A higher standard of education has led to the advancement of the Myingyan, Moulmein and Henzada schools to the grade of High Schools. One encouraging feature of the present time is increase in the number of girls who attend schools, both vernacular and Anglo-vernacular. An attempt has

been made by Mr. Case at Henzada to introduce school gardening. Mr. Wiatt writes: "There have been thirty-five baptisms during the year. Nearly every one of these have come in through our schools. Surely the schools are no small factor as evangelizing agencies. That is especially true in work among Buddhists."

Literary Work

Only one missionary, Rev. F. H. Eveleth, D.D., has given his whole time to that, though others have published matter as they have found time in which to prepare manuscript. Dr. Eveleth completed the special work on the Judson Burmese-English dictionary on which he was engaged, and now on furlough is still engaged in another task which requires his accurate scholarship and careful work.

WORK FOR THE KARENS

There are about 930,000 Karens in Burma, of many allied tribes, the largest of which are the Pwos and the Sgaws. The Pwos outnumber the Sgaws, but more Sgaws than Pwos are Christians. Taken together the number of Karen Baptist church members is 50,708, an average of about one in twenty for the entire Karen population. If adherents were counted the average would be about one in ten. There are also many Karens in other communions, so that the Karens are more nearly Christianized than any other race in Burma.

Work for the Karens is now carried on at Bassein, Rangoon, Moulmein, Henzada, Maubin, Tharrawaddy, Shwegyin, Nyaunglebin, Toungoo, Loikaw, and Tavoy. At Bassein and Rangoon, Sgaw and Pwo Karen missions exist side by side. At Moulmein, Pwos and Sgaws unite in one mission. At Maubin is a Pwo Karen mission by itself. At Toungoo are many tribes, speaking many dialects but the work is done in two missions, both of which use the Sgaw Karen language.

So far as Baptist work is concerned, it has more nearly attained the goal of self-support, self-reliance and self-propagation among the Karens, than among any other race in the foreign field. This has been due primarily to the fact that the Karens were a pure stock, prepared of the Lord by their oral traditions to accept the gospel, and that they received it speedily into good and honest hearts. Other circumstances contributed. In the overturning of Burman political power, the Karens had in the missionary a good friend at court where they had previously been unbefriended, and the prospect of education and advancement as a race, for the missionary reduced their language to writing and established the first schools for them.

They were farmers owning and cultivating their own land with more land obtainable. Whole villages became Christian together so that they were able to erect their own chapel and maintain a village school and Christian

worship. The new life of the village centered around the little school where one man served both as teacher and preacher. The traditional system of village elders readily lent itself to the development of local responsibility and control. An association was formed for each field in which the missionary was the accepted leader, counsellor and friend, but in which free discussion of all methods and undertakings was encouraged and Karen responsibility developed. The association became the legislative body for each Karen field. The support of the station school, home missions, the theological seminary and foreign missions to tribes on the borders of Siam and China naturally followed in their acceptance of the duty which they as Christians acknowledged they owed to their Lord and Master. The Karens are orthodox, evangelical and loyal.

The Bassein Sgaw Karen Mission

Conspicuously successful of all the Karen missions, is the Sgaw Karen mission of Bassein which may serve as a type. Since the mission was founded in 1852, only four men have been in charge, Rev. Elisha L. Abbott, Rev. John S. Beecher, Rev. Chapin H. Carpenter and Rev. C. A. Nichols, D.D., all of whom have steadily held to the principle of self-support, accepted not as a distant goal for future attainment, but as a working principle from the start. The mission now has 145 churches with 14,640 members. While other missions are still discussing policy and methods, this mission with an accepted continuous policy and a loyal people has been achieving remarkable results, under the leadership of Mr. Nichols, now in charge.

There is a station boarding school of high school grade, with nearly 1,000 pupils supported by the Karens, and aided from America only by the teaching of Miss Clara B. Tingley and Miss Grace L. Pennington. On a compound of twenty acres where this school is situated, the only buildings erected by American money are the houses occupied by the missionaries. The Karens have supplied money for the erection of the rest of the buildings as they have been needed. These include the wonderful Ko Tha Byu Memorial Hall, dormitories for the students, a steam cooking establishment, spacious dining halls, an electric lighting plant, teachers' houses and this year have been added a new two story brick dormitory, a gymnasium, and a new well. The school has wonderful choral singing and has rendered Handel's "Messiah." Some pupils are highly proficient on the piano, and the school has a brass band.

Near the riverside is a rice mill and a saw-mill owned by the Karens as a profitable investment of their school endowment funds, the income of which helps provide for the school. Steam launches and motor launches are also built here. A new launch, the "Aurora" has been built to replace one accidentally sunk two years ago. The missionary with pastors and singers go in the launch to jungle villages to hold special services every week end and so keep the whole mission in touch and vibrant with evangelistic activity. In September for an entire month, the pastors come in to study the Bible under Dr. Nichols and to talk over together all their plans and difficulties. A Karen

committee dispenses funds raised by the Karens for home mission work, and for the support of some of their own number engaged in foreign mission work among the Kachins on the border of China. There were baptized during the year 626 converts. The total contributions for all purposes were 91,640 rupees or about $30,000. The mission has 143 schools with 3,103 pupils.

The Rangoon Karen Mission

Similar to the Bassein mission and a close second to it, but without industrial work, is the Rangoon mission with 162 churches, 10,008 members, 101 schools, 3,225 pupils, contributions, 63,148 rupees or about $21,000, with its Vinton Memorial chapel, boarding school, home mission work, and foreign mission work among the Karens of Siam. The Rangoon mission has been carried on by the Vintons since its establishment and now has as a teacher in the school, Miss Rachel H. Seagrave, a Vinton of the fourth generation.

Other Items of Advance

At Toungoo, the Paku Karens number eighty-four churches, 3,250 members. Three hundred and eighteen converts were baptized last year. The Karens completed the Cross Memorial building this year and helped entertain the Burma Baptist Missionary Convention. Rev. A. V. B. Crumb's daughter Effie, now Mrs. Lawton, has had charge of the school work.

At Tharrawaddy, a new high school building costing 8,700 rupees or about $2,800 was completed. The school now numbers 530 pupils with eighteen teachers. Two new churches were added the past year.

Rev. L. W. Cronkhite, D.D., of Bassein reports fifty-five churches and 2,958 members, who have raised to date 20,000 rupees or about $6,500 towards a new chapel. His station school has 223 pupils of whom one third are girls. Much use is made of current events.

The Shwegyin field now has a Karen home mission secretary, supported by the Karens, whose business it is to look after the general interests of the churches and the development of the field similar to the work of a state convention secretary in America. This work has hitherto been done by the missionary. That a Karen can now do it, registers distinct advance.

Even the backward Karens of the Tavoy district are undertaking afresh, through their association, to establish efficient village schools in place of the brief summer schools that have been taught hitherto by pupils during the long vacation. In integrity of character, devotion to Christ, and loyal support of the work, Karen Christians compare favorably with the Christians of any land.

WORK FOR THE KACHINS

The Kachins are a hardy, mountaineer people living on the borders of China and extending into that country. Probably there is a larger population of this race and allied tribes in China than in Burma. The first two mission stations were established on the plains of the Irawadi at Bhamo and Myitkyina, for there alone could the missionaries in that day obtain supplies

and dare risk their own lives. From these bases the work has always pushed out into the hills. Namkham, the third station, is a three days' journey over the hills from the Irawadi.

At Bhamo foundations were laid so well by Rev. W. H. Roberts, D.D., that after he returned home because of failure of health, his successor, Rev. J. F. Ingram, was enabled to reap where Dr. Roberts sowed. Mr. Ingram reports 118 baptisms for the past year, the highest record in the history of the Bhamo mission and making a net gain of twenty-six per cent over the membership of last year. This is due to the vigorous evangelistic campaign conducted by the missionary and his helpers. Six converts from a heathen village in two weeks after their baptism called the missionary to dedicate a chapel which they had erected at their own expense and a fortnight later seven more converts were baptized in that village.

Two new village chapels were erected and an old one rebuilt at a cost of 750 rupees of which only sixty-four rupees represent money from America. These buildings serve both as chapel and schoolhouse. There are now seven village schools, five of which are boarding schools and two day schools. Five are self-supporting; all of them are thriving. There are further calls for teachers in seven more villages in which the missionary hopes to get work started. Opposition developed, based on an old heathen custom, but was overcome on appeal to the British officer who ruled that these customs were no longer binding upon the Christians. Sara Zau Tu, pastor of the only self-supporting Kachin church at Sinlumkaba, and favorably known to all missionaries who have visited that hill station, was ordained in April, 1914. He conducts at his village in the hills a boarding school similar to the station school at Bhamo in which he received training, thus extending to the hills the type of the first station school in the Kachin mission.

The Bhamo station school, deprived of the services of Miss Bertha W. Clark who is in America on furlough, has had fewer pupils but has continued to do excellent work. In the absence of relief, Mr. Ingram has had to carry during the whole year the work of Miss Clark and that of the entire Shan-Burman Mission in addition to his own work.

The outstanding event in the Myitkyina Mission was the journey of Rev. G. J. Geis accompanied by a China Inland missionary, Mr. Fraser of Tengyueh, over the mountains to the upper waters of the Salween River, looking up Yawyins and Lisus, new tribes who present a favorable opportunity for mission work. The "Flowery Lisus" are so called because of the gay color of the women's dress and the large amount of jewelry worn. They live along the head waters of the Shweli and Taping Rivers. The "Black Lisus" are so called because of the dark blue cotton clothing worn by their women. Both tribes were friendly. In China, a Chinese officer was met who presented his card. The Chinese are in earnest in the suppression of the opium traffic. Not a single poppy field was found across the border.

The following paragraph from a letter of Mr. Geis shows how completely Burma is shut in by high mountains on its north-east border and that one Burma missionary has had the rare experience of snow: "As the roads were

too steep for a pony we had coolies carry our loads and we walked. In all we covered over four hundred miles in the eight weeks. The scenery along the Salween was grand and beyond my description. I saw nothing like it even in Switzerland. Many of the higher mountains were covered with snow. One of the peaks was 15,800 feet high, most of them over 12,000 feet. So near were we to them that we could see the snow being driven by the wind and it looked like smoke coming out of a volcano. One early morning when the temperature was below freezing point we saw a number of men taking a bath in one of the numerous hot sulphur springs which are found along the Salween river. In crossing over the Shweli-Salween divide we had to camp out in the open one night. No snow was in sight when the coolies made our grass huts, but before we fell asleep it began to fall and when we awoke in the morning we found the ground covered with a foot of snow. It was rather hard on our coolies to tramp over snow in bare feet and no breakfast until after we got below the snow line at about 1.30 p.m. They had had a little taste of snow when we crossed over the Taping-Shweli divide, and this more severe experience only prepared them for the even severer one when on our home journey we went over the 11,000 feet high Pimaw pass in from four to five feet of snow. For a time it seemed as though the men would waver as one after another sank waist deep into the snow. It was a new experience to them, but when I showed them how to walk lightly and quickly over the snow and laughed over an occasional tumble, they took courage and in four hours we got below the snow line feeling none the worse for our cold tramp." Mr. Geis has begun the study of the Lisu language. He reports more converts baptized last year than during the first ten years of that mission. He has also started the first periodical in the Kachin language, a monthly religious paper.

At Namkham, Rev. Ola Hanson, Litt.D., conducts a good vernacular station school, an evangelistic work in the villages, and is doing literary work as well. At present he is translating the Old Testament into the Kachin language. The printing is done at the mission press at Rangoon in the Roman character set up by a linotype machine. A generation ago the Kachins had no written language. They now have the entire New Testament and the prospect within five years of the entire Bible printed in their own language, a language which was reduced to writing by the missionaries. There is now printed in Kachin, the Kachin grammar, Kachin English dictionary, a spelling book, a reading book, catechism, a hymn-book, the entire New Testament and a portion of the Old Testament, all the work of Dr. Hanson.

WORK FOR THE SHANS

Strictly Shan work is carried on at Taunggyi, Hsipaw, Namkham and Mongnai. At Bhamo is a Burman-Shan mission in which the work for the past seven years has been carried on wholly in Burmese, and at Kengtung is Rev. W. M. Young's great work among various border tribes, the Muhsos, Lahus Was, and others, constituting the greatest mass movement of ingathering in Burma in the last decade. Mr. Young speaks Shan and does most of his work in that language. The great ingathering has not been from

the Shans who are Buddhists, but from the border tribes who are Animists. At Taunggyi and Hsipaw are maintained seventh standard Anglo-vernacular station schools. The educational work at Mongnai and Namkham is wholly in the vernacular. At Namkham, a combined boarding school for Shans and Kachins is conducted by Dr. Hanson, the girl boarders being cared for by him on the Kachin compound and the boy boarders by Dr. C. A. Kirkpatrick on the Shan compound. Dr. Kirkpatrick has also established a day school for Shans in the town of Namkham, and after waiting a year is enjoying the prospect of having a house of his own to live in.

At Taunggyi, Dr. A. H. Henderson rejoices in a new school building and a competent assistant, Miss Kingsley, and in the fact that his people are continuing the increased giving established by them for the Judson Centennial Fund, to provide seats and furniture for the new building. They have contributed $280.00 for this object. Dr. Henderson has great enjoyment in touring for evangelistic work, but finds little time for it. He has, however, made trips forty miles South-east, sixty miles South-west, and forty miles North-west. A good work is going on among the Taungthus, a hill tribe. One ordained preacher gives all his time to that work. A Taungthu-Shan Association has been formed for this field. Dr. Henderson's skilful medical work has made many friends among the people. Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. H. W. Hancock conduct work for the women which has resulted in three converts from women in town. At Mongnai the work of Rev. H. C. Gibbens, M.D., has gone along steadily. The people of Mongnai desire an English school established He has a preaching Zayat at the five day bazaar and opportunity to preach to crowds and to dispense tracts and medicines. A phonograph has proved an attraction.

The great work among the tribes that center about Kengtung has gone forward, although only one missionary, Mr. Young, has been doing the work where three men are needed. The total number baptized now reaches 12,682 converts who are organized into seventy churches and five associations. There has been some increase among the Shans. The "Flowery Lisus" whom Mr. Geis found in China are the same as the Lihsaw of Kengtung State. In the interests of mission comity an attempt was made at a joint conference of representatives of the Baptist and Presbyterian Boards held in New York in November, 1914, to demarcate the field between the Baptists and the Presbyterians, assigning a definite portion to each body. With the assistance of the Presbyterians, it is hoped that the whole field may be developed, a task which the Baptists alone have not had the men or the resources to accomplish.

At Hsipaw Rev. W. W. Cochrane sometime after his retirement was succeeded by Rev. M. B. Kirkpatrick, M.D., who died there February 10, 1915.

WORK FOR THE CHINS

The Chins are hill tribes inhabiting the Arakan Yomas and their foot-hills on both sides from the latitude of Sandoway, northward to Assam, and some portions of the foot-hills of the Pegu Yomas. Work for these hill tribes is carried on at two stations in the plains, Sandoway and Thayetmyo, and at

two localities in the hills, Haka and Tiddim. The villages being small and scattered, long journeys are required of the missionaries. Rev. S. C. Sonnichsen at Sandoway has been provided with a motor launch which greatly facilitates his travel along the many tidal creeks of Arakan. Rev. E. C. Condict's field stretches out from Thayetmyo to the Arakan Yomas on the west and to the Pegu Yomas on the east. Some portions of his field are so much nearer the Burman mission stations of Pyinmana, Toungoo, and Pegu, that his people call upon the Burman missionaries to assist them when they get into trouble. As a race the Chins are more receptive of Christianity than the Burmans. Intensive work now for the Chins would yield rich reward.

Dr. J. G. Woodin at Haka and Rev. J. H. Cope at Tiddim travel on foot or by pony over the hills using coolies or pack-mules for their luggage as best they can. Mrs. A. E. Carson after furlough in America has returned to Haka to relieve Dr. Woodin, who was compelled to leave the hills because his wife suffered from constant headache caused by the high altitude. He is now in charge of the Shan-Burman mission at Bhamo. Mr. Cope is remaining at Tiddim a year after his furlough is due because there is no one to relieve him. He reports a good year, although there has been determined opposition on the part of a hill chief who took offence because the number of converts increased. Because of his ownership of the land he ordered the Christian chapel removed from it. He was sustained in his ruling by the government on the ground that failure to sustain him within his legal rights would weaken his power as a hill chieftain. The body of Christians deprived of their chapel are seriously considering moving to the plains where good land for cultivation is available. They would better their circumstances by so doing, but hill-men do not like the plains. Notwithstanding the dismantling of their chapel, the converts continue to increase.

WORK FOR THE TALAINS

The only missionary for the Talain race, Rev. A. C. Darrow of Maulmein, having been on furlough this year, no report has reached us of that work.

WORK FOR INDIAN IMMIGRANTS

This work is carried on at Rangoon by Rev. W. F. Armstrong, D.D., ably assisted by Mrs. Armstrong and by their daughter, Miss Kate Armstrong, who conducts a private school known as Norris College and prepares Indian students for the Cambridge University examinations. Dr. Armstrong's work is more directly evangelistic. Mrs. Armstrong is in charge of a school in Dalhousie Street, in which public evangelistic meetings for the Indian community consisting of Telugus, Tamils and North Indian immigrant peoples are also held.

THE ENGLISH WORK

Preaching in English is carried on at three centers: Rangoon, Moulmein and Mandalay. At the Immanuel church at Rangoon, Rev. F. K. Singiser has had a good year. An automobile has helped him greatly in doing pastoral work about the city. At the parsonage Mrs. Singiser has presided with grace.

Good congregations have attended the services. In addition to his work as pastor Mr. Singiser has lectured on ethics at the Baptist College.

At Moulmein, Rev. M. B. Kirkpatrick, M.D., served the English Church as pastor and had charge of the leper asylum as well until a vacancy at Hsipaw caused him again to resume the work at the Shan Mission which he had founded in 1890. There he died suddenly February 10, 1915. The English church at Moulmein was left without a pastor. The pulpit is now supplied by the missionaries remaining at Moulmein. The Baptist church at Mandalay has also a branch at Maymyo. When Rev. C. L. Davenport took furlough [illegible] turn when he took furlough turned it over to Rev. E. W. Kelly, Ph.D., who was sent to Maymyo to recover his health. The return of Mr. Davenport provides for this work again.

The English girls' high school at Moulmein, the European school at the Baptist college and the mixed seventh standard school at Mandalay provide good boarding school facilities.

THE MAYMYO ASSEMBLY

Through the energetic management of missionaries, among whom Rev. S. R. McCurdy has had a leading part, there has been established at Maymyo, the comfortable hill station to which the government of Burma goes for the hot season, an assembly modeled after the Northfield summer conference, for Bible study, the deepening of the spiritual life, inspirational addresses and study of practical methods of Christian work. The annual meeting was held April 3–13, 1914. There were present twenty-five missionaries, ninety-eight Burmans, fifty-two Karens, nineteen Europeans, and two others, a total of 196 delegates, representing twenty-two mission stations and thirty-six departments of mission work.

The mornings were given to Bible Study and practical methods, the afternoons to recreation in which lawn tennis, football and pleasure trips figured, the evenings to inspirational addresses. The motto for the meetings was: "Study to show thyself approved unto God." Bible study was conducted in English, Burmese and Karen, and there were special classes in singing. Some of the practical matters discussed were: "How to get the gospel to the unsaved." "The live prayer meeting." "How I get the most Bible into my pupils." To provide a permanent building in place of tents that have hitherto served the purpose, an attempt was made to raise in Burma 2,000 rupees or about $633.33. Of this sum 1,400 rupees were pledged by the delegates present at the final consecration meeting, and steps were taken to secure the remainder so that the building may be completed free of debt in readiness for the assembly in April, 1915.

RANGOON BAPTIST COLLEGE

This is our largest educational institution in the foreign field. Last year it numbered about 1,800 students ranging from the first standard (grade) up to the B. A. The institution has four departments, the college proper, the

high school, the normal school, and the European school. The college proper has four classes, named respectively: Junior I. A., Intermediate Arts, Junior B. A., and B. A. corresponding to the freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior classes of American colleges. In this department there were eighty-one students, a gain of nearly twenty per cent. over the previous year. The college would make a more rapid gain if it were equipped to teach science.

In Burma and India no college is allowed to stand alone. It must be affiliated with some university which sets the examinations and to the rules and regulations of which the college must conform. At present the college is affiliated with Calcutta University which is an examining body after the type of London University rather than a residential and educational university of grouped colleges like Oxford and Cambridge. Burma is looking forward to the time when a Burma University shall be established on a teaching basis. In that university the Baptist college should enter as a constituent college. The government proposes to establish this university in a beautiful suburban site of 100 acres near Kokine Lake and suggests that the Baptist college remove its B. A. department to that site, should the Burma university be established there. At present these plans are held in abeyance by the European war, and the college continues its work on the old site.

At the rate the institution is now growing, by the time these plans are likely to be matured, the present buildings will be required for the three remaining schools. The government makes a tentative offer of twenty acres of land for the new college site and a liberal grant toward the erection of the new buildings that will become necessary.

Last year the college presented seven students for the B. A. degree all of whom passed, two with honors. This is the largest class yet presented for this degree and it obtained the highest per cent. of passes possible. According to the rules of Calcutta University, if a student fails in a single subject he fails completely and must take the entire course over again and pass in every subject to obtain a degree. In the I. A. examination there was a large number of failures in which the Baptist college was not alone. Whether this was due to an unusually difficult examination on the part of Calcutta University or to some defect in preparation has not been clearly ascertained.

The officers of Calcutta University made a thorough inspection of the college in February, 1914, and found much to commend in the progress made in the past five years. They drew attention, however, to the weakness in the English department, caused by the absence on furlough of Professor David Gilmore, M.A. the head of that department, and of the lack of full qualifications for such service as he had rendered in the men who were officiating in his absence. These inspectors found further reason for praise in the organization for student self-government maintained in the hostel under the form of a student commonwealth, and in their official report to the government incorporated in full the constitution as a model of its kind.

Changes in the Faculty

This has been a critical year of great changes in the faculty. Early in the year Surendra Nath Moitra, M.A. was appointed to the chair of mathematics,

succeeding Professor W. H. Roberts who temporarily took charge of the European school and subsequently, by an exchange of professors, took the chair of mathematics at Trinity College, Kandy, Ceylon, being succeeded in the European school by Mr. Cowen. In February, Professor Gilmore, head of the department of English, took furlough and was succeeded temporarily by the promotion of Professor R. P. Currier to officiate in his absence, assisted by Saya Htin Si, M. A., and Mr. R. N. Crawford appointed from America. In February also Professor H. E. Safford took furlough and his work in history was taken over by Rev. E. N. Armstrong. Serious ill health which at one time threatened his life compelled the resignation of the principal, Rev. E. W. Kelly, Ph.D., May 15, 1914. Professor Wallace St. John, Ph.D., Vice-principal, was promoted to be principal with full power, and to fill the gap in his department, Rev. F. K. Singiser was called in to teach ethics. After four and one half months' absence under medical treatment at the hill station Maymyo, Dr. Kelly's health was restored and he returned to the college to teach the honors class in philosophy in October and resumed the principalship of the college April 1, 1915. Dr. St. John performed his arduous task with credit and has demonstrated the ability of the college to provide from its own staff for an emergency in the administration. What effect the various changes in the staff will have upon scholarship will not be revealed until the results of the examination on this year's work are published in June, 1915.

The High School

The high school includes all standards from the first to the tenth and prepares for matriculation with Calcutta University and for the high school final examination which qualifies for appointment to the government clerkships. The matriculation examination is set by Calcutta University; the high school final examination is set by the Educational Department of Burma, and its course is shaped with a view to the needs of students who do not intend to study further. At present most of the students take the matriculation course. Forty students passed through the high school last year. Four of the teachers, graduates of the college, were appointed civil magistrates. The high school is really the largest department of this institution. It has forty-one teachers and 1,335 students. From the fees received from pupils and the grant-in-aid received from the government it does much to help finance the whole institution. Its numbers could be greatly increased were there accommodations for more pupils. A new dining hall is urgently needed.

The Normal School

The normal school was established for the training of certificated teachers for our own mission schools, both vernacular and Anglo-vernacular, to serve in village schools and station schools as well. The normal school is more directly in touch with, and directive of, the increasing intellectual development of the young people in our mission than any other institution under mission control. Most of the graduates of this normal school enter directly into mission employ. They are the highest paid workers in our mission. In

general they are the most intelligent, loyal and helpful workers in winning for Christ the children of school age. The man in charge of the normal school holds a position of great educational and spiritual influence. But important as this position is, and strategic as it is in our mission policy, we have lacked an American missionary for this position during the entire year and have had to make shift as best we could with a native faculty.

The European School

The European school is the school latest established and is now accommodated in a beautiful, substantial brick building, called the Emma Birch Smith Hall, the gift of friends in Los Angeles, California. This school was established for the domiciled community. Its course of study is that of the European code in vogue in England. English is the medium of instruction from the first standard up. The school has now attained to a high school and is making rapid growth.

New Constitution for the Rangoon Baptist College

Based on the experience gained in working under the old constitution for a period of ten years, a new constitution has been adopted. This is a step forward both in wiser organization of the internal management of the institution and in bringing native brethren into the local governing body of the college, in an attempt to help our constituency in Burma accept their share of responsibility for the maintenance of the institution. This year for the first time, four native brethren instead of being nominated by the board, under the new constitution were elected members of the board of trustees by the Burma Baptist Missionary Convention which represents our entire Baptist constituency in Burma, and two native brethren were elected by the board of trustees to its executive committee. It is believed that native brethren have been found who will use the office for the benefit of the institution.

Closer Affiliation with the Seminaries

It is now arranged that members of the faculty of the college shall be represented in the boards of trustees of the theological seminaries and members of the faculty of the theological seminaries shall be represented in the board of trustees of the college; that there shall be intervisitation between the professors of these institutions, and that an attempt shall be made to seek young men of high educational qualifications and of the right spirit to enter the ministry and to establish at the theological seminaries higher courses of education that shall be attractive to such men. The time is rapidly coming in Burma when preachers of higher qualifications will be required, at least in the cities, and as it approaches, we see more clearly the part which the Rangoon Baptist College must play, not only in bearing onward the torch of Christian learning and in furnishing educated leaders in all departments of the civic life of the province for which it holds an honorable record, but especially in the broad preparation of men for that highest of all services, the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

THE BURMAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

This seminary is for the training of all non-Karen races that use the Burmese language, and for such Karens as may have become so Burmanized as to be better able to pursue a course of study in Burmese than in their own language. Last year there were twenty-eight students, of whom fourteen were Burmans, one Eurasian, four Pwo Karens, five Chins, two Shans, one Bghai Karen, and one Kachin. No student is admitted under eighteen years of age. Of the entering class of ten students, one had passed the seventh standard, Anglo-vernacular, four the fifth standard, vernacular, one the fourth, two the third, and two had no other training than they had received in a Buddhist monastery. The preparation of the students varies widely, no student of suitable character, age and calling being rejected because of lack of preparation that is deemed highly desirable, but which for that student may not have been obtainable. The graduates enter at once into direct evangelistic work, and the seminary cannot begin to supply all the men called for. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he will thrust forth labourers into his harvest."

The seminary has been conducted by President Rev. J. McGuire, D.D., assisted in part by Rev. W. F. Thomas, D.D., and a native faculty of three members, one member short of the staff of the preceding year, Saya Tha Din, a teacher, having accepted the call of the Mandalay church to become its pastor. An attempt was made to secure for the seminary in his place, Saya Ba Hlaing, B. A., head master of the American Baptist Mission Boys' School, Moulmein, and the young man was willing to make the financial sacrifice involved in accepting the position, but objection was raised by the Moulmein community to the loss of his very valuable services from the school in which he was serving with conspicuous success and the transfer was not effected.

Under advice of the board of trustees, Rev. W. E. Wiatt of Moulmein has been appointed to the seminary to further strengthen the staff in the hope of attracting more students of higher qualifications, and to procure for Dr. McGuire more time for literary work and work in the revision of the Burman Bible. The seminary's share of the Judson centennial fund contributed in Burma will, under the form of an annuity, be made available as principal for the erection of a new house for the accommodation of Mr. Wiatt.

During the year ending September 30, 1914, about 1,450 rupees or about $480 were received from Burman churches and individuals towards the current expenses of the seminary and sixty-five rupees towards a new teacher's house. This amount shows a gratifying increase over previous years and is evidence of increasing devotion on the part of Burman Christians to the cause for which the seminary stands, the evangelizing and Christianizing of Burma. With the coming of Mr. Wiatt, the seminary will be strengthened to do the best work in its history and we may confidently look for growth in the coming years.

THE KAREN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

This seminary has had a continuous life of seventy years, thirty-nine of which have been under the presidency of Rev. D. A. W. Smith, D.D. During the year 1914, when he was in America on furlough, Rev. W. F. Thomas,

D.D., officiated as president, assisted by a native staff of four teachers, with 126 students in attendance. These students are drawn largely from the village schools and after training go back to the villages as pastors and evangelists. Among them, however, volunteers are found for pioneer evangelistic work among the hill tribes on the borders of Burma, among Chins, Kachins, Karens, Shans, Taungthus, Muhsos, and Was. In the entering class of forty this year was only one student who had passed the seventh standard, Anglo-vernacular examination, so that the problem at present is not so much to secure students from the college for the seminary as to secure graduates of leading seventh standard station schools to study for the ministry.

Dr. Smith, Mrs. Smith, and Miss Anna K. Smith, who has been appointed dean of the seminary, sailed for Burma in January, 1915. Dr. Thomas will return on furlough in the spring of 1915. On his return to Burma in 1916, Dr. Smith plans to retire from the presidency to give his entire time to the preparation of needed Karen Christian literature, a task for which he is exceptionally well qualified. The board of trustees request that another missionary be added to the seminary staff in view of Dr. Smith's proposed retirement and to strengthen the course in English to attract more men qualified in that language. A Karen brother in the board of trustees moved, and the board voted, that in future no deficit in the seminary account should be reported to America until it had first been reported to the board of trustees in Burma, and steps had been taken by the Karen community to pay the deficit. This shows how loyally the Karens support this school.

BURMAN BIBLE REVISION

An attempt was made at Maymyo during the hot season vacation of 1914, of joint revision of the Burman Bible by our committee acting with representatives of the British and Foreign Bible Society, using Judson's version as a basis of revision. Experimental work was done in the books of Jonah and Philemon. Some practical difficulties developed which are under advisement with the hope that a way may be found to provide the best possible version of the Burman Bible and to avoid the difficulty of having two versions in circulation in Burma.

THE AMERICAN BAPTIST MISSION PRESS

The work of the press has been carried on by the superintendent, Mr. F. D. Phinney, and two assistants, Mr. S. E. Miner and Mr. Paul R. Hackett. Mr. J. B. Money completed his first term of very efficient service in March, 1914, and resigned on furlough. Although the press in common with all other business suffered on account of the war, the total receipts were $156,307, only $500 less than those of 1913. By laying in a large stock of paper and coal for six months when the war broke out, prices for printing have been kept at the old figures and the 150 employees of the press kept at work.

The list of publications for the year shows seventy-six titles, the largest on record, of which six are Scripture, twenty-nine educational, twenty-six religious or general literature, thirteen are tracts of which 115,000 copies were issued, and two are dictionaries.

The most interesting of these publications is the Judson Centennial volume, which is the first book produced in Burma by means of the first linotype ever sold in Burma. This historic volume of 176 pages may be obtained of the Literature Department, Ford Building, Boston, for seventy-five cents. The work is considered such a handsome success that the agents for the linotype in Calcutta have purchased copies to send to the leading printers in India as samples.

The Judson Burmese Dictionary was completed by Rev. F. H. Eveleth, D.D., and the proof read from the plates before he took furlough. The paper was ordered from England and loaded into a steamer at Liverpool. When the war broke out, the steamer was taken over by the government, with no time to discharge cargo. The paper remained in the hold for ballast cargo while the steamer was on transport service and was finally discharged into another steamer and arrived safely at Rangoon.

The Sgaw-Karen Old Testament with references has been put to press. This is the first reference edition of the Old Testament to be issued in Burma. The Kachin Bible uses a Romanized alphabet with few accented letters, easily managed on a linotype, which was the decisive reason for purchasing that machine. The book of Genesis has been printed as a separate book from the lino-slugs after stereotyping for the whole Bible. An edition of Matthew has been published in Mogi dialect for English Baptist missionaries working in Chittagong. This is set in the Burmese type, although no one at the press can read Mogi. A beginning has been made of printing the Gospel in Romanized Chin, the work of Rev. J. H. Cope. This makes fourteen languages or dialects in which the press does printing, not to mention several languages of Europe which occasionally appear in commercial printing. Operatives at the press talk, read and write a few additional languages making about twenty touched by the work and workers of the press.

In equipment the most noticeable addition was the first linotype machine ever installed in Burma. One daily newspaper and the government press have since added linotypes. The handsomest gift for equipment ever made to the press is that of $5,000 by Mr. and Mrs. M. Grant Edmands, for a linotype machine to set Burmese. This will require some modification of the machines and the production of over 600 different new matrix designs. Through the inventive genius of Mr. Phinney, who had previously adapted the Remington typewriter to write Burmese, this work is now ready to be undertaken as soon as the war permits the English makers to get to work on the machine. This will revolutionize the printing of Burmese.

No one can estimate the good this press has accomplished. The first to introduce the art of printing into Burma a century ago, it is in the van now in the adaptation of the latest modern inventions to use in Burma. What John Gutenberg's art of printing from movable types accomplished for Europe in the renaissance of religion and learning awakened by a printed Bible, this press has been accomplishing through a century of progress in Burma in printing the Bible in fourteen languages and in the issue of school books and Christian literature to meet the needs of an imparted Christian life and a consequent increased desire for learning.

THE ASSAM MISSION

ASSAM more nearly resembles Burma than any other of our mission fields. Assam is in a corner of the land of India, wedged up toward Tibet. Burma is on the long unfrequented eastern shore of the Bay of Bengal, hemmed in from Assam, China and Siam by mountains. Both, for many years out of the direct line of world travel, are now eagerly sought by travelers. Both countries are agricultural and under-populated. Both have hill-tribes among whom many have become Christians. Toward both countries immigration is setting. Both have mighty rivers—Burma the Irawadi and Assam the Brahmaputra—which afford the great natural highways through the land, and are navigable by river steamers for hundreds of miles and along the valleys of which are found the densest population. Each country forms a separate province of the East Indian empire, Burma under a lieutenant governor and Assam under a chief commissioner, as was the case prior to Lord Curzon's division of India, which for a time tied Assam to East Bengal, a division which was soon rescinded for political reasons. Many of the tribes on the border are of kindred blood and language with those of Burma. The hills that under heathenism separated villages and made them hostile are, in response to the Christian message, fast becoming strongholds of the Kingdom of God.

In Burma the giant foe to be overcome is Buddhism of a pure type, in Assam, Hinduism of a very mixed and impure type, both entrenched in the cities of the plain. In both countries the tribal peoples, animists in religion, without a literature and of simple life, have accepted the simple message of the cross.

Assam differs from Burma in being a smaller country with less population, more isolated stations, slower and more difficult communications, less highly developed school work, less unity in the past, but with more rapid progress at present in field administration. Like Burma, Assam has been short of missionaries.

Changes in the Staff

There have returned from the field fourteen missionaries: Rev. C. E. Petrick, Rev. William Smith and Mrs. Smith, Rev. Joseph Paul, Rev. C. H. Tilden, Rev. E. G. Phillips, D.D., and Mrs. Phillips, Rev. F. W. Harding and Mrs. Harding, Rev. H. W. Kirby, M.D., and Mrs. Kirby, Rev. R. B. Longwell and Mrs. Longwell, and Mrs. A. C. Bowers. Eight missionaries have been sent out: Rev. William Pettigrew and Mrs. Pettigrew, Rev. W. F. Dowd and Mrs. Dowd, Mrs. S. A. D. Boggs, Miss Linnie M. Holbrook, Miss Omie E. Carter and Miss Elizabeth Hay. Five missionaries, Rev. John Firth, Rev. S. W. Rivenburg, M.D., and Mrs. Rivenburg, and Rev. G. G.

Crozier, M.D., and Mrs. Crozier, are overstaying their furlough because there is no one to relieve them. At least ten more families are now needed in Assam and should be sent out this fall.

Races, Languages and Work

Assam has the fragments of many races. One hundred and sixty-seven languages and dialects were found by the last census, and no one language suffices as a *lingua franca* for the entire country. Assamese is spoken by the missionaries at Gauhati, Nowgong, Golaghat, Jorhat and Sibsagor. At Nowgong is found a pure Assamese church and Sibsagor is next in this respect. In all other sections of the plain, Garos are found, and in all stations Christians of whatever race unite to form the congregation.

Organization

All the native Christians of Assam are grouped in six associations named the Garo Hills, Kamerup, Upper Assam, North Lakhimpur, Darrang and Naga Hills associations. The conference of missionaries meets biennially. The first convention of all Baptist forces in Assam was held in 1914 and plans to meet hereafter once in two years. The missions have united in a central high school for all races at Jorhat, with another high school for the Garos at Tura projected, and have elected a conference secretary, Rev. A. J. Tuttle, now entering upon his third year of service for the development of the whole field of Assam.

Work for the Assamese

This has made slower progress than that for the Burmese in Burma, but Rev. O. L. Swanson who preaches with power in Assamese writes: "Here and there we also rejoice in seeing the Assamese turning to God. I am glad to say among my best workers the Assamese are numbered. I fully believe the day is not far distant when we shall see greater in-gathering from this so-called high caste people of Assam."

THE WORK FOR THE GAROS

The work for the Garos has been on the whole the most abundantly blessed work in Assam. It began under Rev. M. C. Mason, D.D., and Rev. E. G. Phillips, D.D., forty years ago and during that entire period has been under their care. These two men were classmates at college, intimate friends, whose talents wonderfully supplemented each other. When one returned to America on furlough, the other remained on the field maintaining continuity in the work without the interruptions and loss which are apt to follow change of missionary administration. As needs increased, other men and women were sent to their assistance, causing Tura to become the strongest mission station in Assam and thus building up the mission on well laid foundations while the veterans retire and devote their remaining days to literary work.

The Garo language had first to be learned, and reduced to writing, and books made in order that the people could have access to the Bible and the rudiments of an education. From 1874 to 1892 use was made of the Bengali characters in writing and printing. Beginning with 1892 and completed in 1902, use was made of the Roman character and now all Garo literature is printed in Romanized type. Much literature is still needed for this race and it is the purpose of Dr. Mason and Dr. Phillips, now on furlough, to devote the rest of their lives to this work, leaving the more direct activities of the mission to younger men.

Work at Tura is maintained in four distinct lines, evangelistic, educational, industrial and medical, all of which have been cramped this year because of the absence of Dr. and Mrs. Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Harding on furlough, the severe illness of Rev. A. K. Mather, and by the prolonged sickness of Dr. Phillips. Dr. Crozier was with him at Columbo and was instrumental in saving his life, so that he reached America in safety late in the year and is now in the sanatarium at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Direct evangelism has been carried on by native evangelists. Rev. Walter C. Mason, in charge of the educational work, has had the difficult task of devising a general plan of cooperation with the government for the higher education of this race. A high school at Tura is projected and is still under consideration by the government. Meanwhile, educational work is continued along the established lines of primary vernacular school and middle English school. Girls are admitted in all departments of these schools and industrial work is insisted upon. Cotton ginning has been successfully carried on by use of a hand machine which is the invention of Dr. Mason. Regarding his medical work Dr. Crozier writes: "In the hospital twenty-eight patients were treated while out-patients numbered 7,921. There were 182 operations and 353 calls, (241 by myself on thirty-five patients, my helpers making eighteen calls on the same patients in my absence and eighty-four calls on seventy-two patients whom I did not see). The year's deficit is a little larger than that of last year and the increased cost of supplies makes me feel anxious for the results of the present year. If a new man is to take my work when I go on furlough, I am quite sure he will need some appropriation in order to make the department go at all." He also states that he has turned over a branch dispensary to a native brother, who is carrying it on successfully.

The girls' school at Gauhati in charge of Miss Ella M. Holmes is meeting with great success. The government has taken a keen interest in the school and has indicated that it would like to establish training classes in connection with it if suitable equipment is provided. Already the inspectress of schools is sending three teachers daily to the school to observe Miss Holmes' methods. A new site for the school has been procured and in answer to prayer, money is now available from the Woman's Society for the erection of the needed new school building.

Rev. A C. Bowers writes of the evangelistic work at Goalpara: "During this year, as during all my years here, it has been our aim to make everything tend to the one end, the salvation of souls. The largest part of the work has

been evangelism. I mean by this, touring and preaching the gospel. Some days as many as six hundred people have been reached. During the year not less than fifteen thousand have heard the gospel from either myself or the workers. During the year I spent six months and nine days away from home. Much of this time was during the rains in the motor boat "Grace," which has done a little over 1,700 miles during the year. Without that I would have been tied to the station. In addition to the work for the native peoples, I have had the privilege of preaching to the European community at Dhubri a number of times. During odd hours I have continued my study of the Kacheri Mech language. I find that this addition to my languages is indeed a great help. We have prepared for the press thirty or forty songs in this language. During the year about 4,000 Bibles and Gospels have been sold. Nearly 10,000 tracts have been given away."

WORK FOR THE NAGAS

Work for the Nagas, begun by Rev. E. W. Clark, D.D., at Molung and admirably set forth in Mrs. Clark's intensely interesting book "A Corner in India" is now carried on for different tribes of Nagas at Impur, Kohima and Ukhrul. These stations are all in the hills towards Burma. Ukhrul is in the independent native state of Manipur which is on the beaten track across country to Burma. Many changes have been witnessed at Impur. Rev. R. B. Longwell and Mrs. Longwell returned to America on furlough in the spring of 1914. Later in the year Rev. William Smith retired from the station. Rev. Joseph Paul came to assist for a time but is now invalided to America to undergo a surgical operation. Rev. W. F. Dowd and Mrs. Dowd arrived late in November. The burden of the work meanwhile has fallen upon Rev. J. R. Bailey, M.D., which probably accounts for failure to receive his annual report on time. From correspondence during the year we learn that their home was blessed by the arrival of a daughter, Eleanor Mary, December 1. At the beginning of 1915 they were facing a profitable year's work with Mr. and Mrs. Dowd and all signs pointed to a good year for the churches.

Kohima has the advantage of an elevation of about 5,000 feet above sea level with a good climate. Here dwell the Angami Nagas for whom the translation of the Bible is in process. The missionaries resident there are Rev. S. W. Rivenburg, M.D., and Mrs. Rivenburg and Rev. J. E. Tanquist and Mrs. Tanquist. Dr. Rivenburg reports that the year 1914 was to him a year of much worry and distress of body and mind. For many weeks he suffered from bronchitis, which threatened his life, but from which he fully recovered. The school experienced difficulty in securing teachers but became larger than for any previous year. Mrs. Tanquist conducted regularly an infant school which averaged forty-seven. There were twenty-nine baptisms, — more than in any previous year. Five years after the beginning of the translation, the Gospel of Luke was put into circulation. First Corinthians has been translated and is ready for the press. The government undertook a new edition of 500 of the Hymn Book, theoretically as a school book, and Dr. Rivenburg became responsible for 500 extra copies. The old edition was

exhausted last July. A sewing class for girls was held one hour a week by Mrs. Rivenburg and one hour by Mrs. Tanquist during all the weeks of school.

At Ukhrul there has been a complete change of missionaries. Rev. U. M. Fox and Mrs. Fox who occupied the station in the absence on furlough of Rev. William Pettigrew and Mrs. Pettigrew, were succeeded late in the year by the Pettigrews, returning from furlough. Mr. Fox reports: "The educational work has been generally continued as before. The three languages now taught are the Tangkhul Naga in the Ukhrul dialect, the Manipuri, and English. The attendance reached the satisfactory number of sixty-six. Many Kukis have applied and been turned away but there are very few Tangkhuls who want to learn in school. During the year five students have been sent to Jorhat. One left early in the year, another on account of illness in August. Three although suffering considerably with illness persevered and two will try another year at least. I consider it a great advantage to send students away for their advanced training and not attempt it at Ukhrul, even though they must struggle with sickness.

Out of the twenty joining the church nine were Tangkhuls, two were Anan Nagas and the remainder Kukis. In December on my way out I baptized seven persons of five nationalities. On the road to Kohima from the village of Lhongtin I baptized twenty-six believers after careful instruction, making thirty-three on the journey out and fifty-three for the year. It is a promising outlook for work to have all families except three of a whole village, including the chief, take this stand together. This with requests for missionaries and for Christian workers indicates that the time is ripe for immediate work among them."

REACHING THE IMMIGRANTS

Most of these are coolies who have come to work in the tea gardens. They are generally known as Mundaris and were in part from Christian stock. Many come from Chota-Nagpur where some had been in touch with the Lutheran Missions, now badly lacking support. Work especially for these immigrants is carried on by Rev. John Firth from North Lakhimpur, and by several other missionaries in connection with other duties. Mr. Firth reports a great year. The churches in Darrang organized themselves into an association in March, raised money and got to work. One of their churches is self-supporting; one of their schools is self-supporting; nearly one half of the baptisms reported for the year are from their field. Village schools have done good work, and of the twenty-three baptisms from among pupils in schools, all but one were from village schools. During the month of September over fifty men studied in the station in a Bible class for workers of the North Lakhimpur field, and nearly twenty other men from Darrang met for one week at a central place in Darrang District in November for Bible study. Baptisms on the two fields numbered sixty-four. Some good houses of worship were built by the churches. Everything has a forward look and is full of promise.

THE MIKIR FIELD

This work is carried on by Rev. P. E. Moore and Mrs. Moore at Tika in connection with work also for immigrant peoples, and by Rev. J. M. Carvell at Golaghat. Mr. Moore reports that he has baptized thirty-six from the strictly Mikir field and that he has now established four out-stations. At one of these the teacher evangelist on a salary of $36 a year is also head man of his village and has gathered a little church of thirty-seven members about him. He is now planning to put a substitute teacher in his place temporarily, so that he may give an entire month to preaching in distant villages that have never heard the gospel. Opium is a great hindrance to work among the Mikirs. The government is now diminishing the number of shops and increasing the price of opium as a restrictive measure. A Mikir translation of the Gospels, Acts, and First Corinthians is now ready for the press. The building of a new mission house has been deferred because of the increased cost of materials.

WORK FOR ABORS AND MIRIS

This centers at Sadiya, the farthest corner of Assam, the point from which in 1826 Rev. Nathan Brown in his search for Shans sought also a back door entrance into China through Tibet. Abandoned by the Society soon after, the mission station was again opened in 1905 by sending Rev. L. W. B. Jackman and Mrs. Jackman, who were joined a year later by Rev. H. W. Kirby, M. D., and Mrs. Kirby. The medical work finds before it an open door. Visits have been made into the hills, but permission is not obtained to reside there. The people come down for medical treatment and afford a favorable opportunity for preaching. A native house has been erected in the mission compound for their temporary accommodation. Dr. Kirby is on furlough this year in America.

Mr. Jackman reports that an out-station has been established for the Abors at Bolung and another for the Miris at Dogaria, both in charge of native workers obtained from the older mission stations. At Bolung a village school is maintained and is taught by a Garo from Tura.

The motor boat "Mishing" is of inestimable value in river travel to reach the Miris. For fuel, use is made of a low grade kerosene locally produced. There are 57,000 Miris whose religion is Hinduism grafted on to Animism.

Owing to the proposed development of Sadiya by the Government as a frontier central base, the place will become of more importance as a mission station for the Abors, Miris, Mishims, Khamptis and Singphos. Among two of these tribes only has work begun and the problem now is whether intensive work shall develop for these two tribes alone or include the other three tribes to be reached from this station.

THE JORHAT CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

At Jorhat are concentrated the Christian schools for higher education under Rev. S. A. D. Boggs and Rev. C. H. Tilden. These schools include a middle English and high school, a Bible school and an industrial school. There were seventy-seven pupils in attendance.

The Bible School

The aim of this school has been to prepare students to be preachers and helpers for the mission. Others besides Christians attend the classes. In the class in the Life of Christ for example, there were seven Hindu boys who showed great interest in the subject. This Bible teaching extends also down through all the classes of the middle English school giving a decided Christian influence. A separate building and equipment is much needed.

Middle English and High School

At one time it was voted to discontinue this school for lack of funds, but the school has been maintained and has two classes in the high department, with eight pupils in the first year class and nine in the second.

The Industrial School

Emphasis is laid on industrial work as essential to the development of a race. "Workships," rather than scholarships, are given to needy boys who keep the compound clean, walks graded and fences repaired. They also thatched, whitewashed and renewed bamboo work using 9,299 hours of school labor. In the wood shop they have made office furniture, store room fixtures, moulds for making bricks, and gates. The boys also maintain a school garden. Local contributions for this work from many sources amounted to 1,923 rupees, in addition to fees for tuition 262 rupees, and a government grant of 400 rupees. The enlargement of the site and the erection of necessary buildings is proceeding as fast as funds are available. When Mr. Tilden took furlough the work of building was transferred to Rev. J. M. Carvell.

AMONG THE STUDENTS AT GAUHATI

Similar in a way to the religious work for students, attempted by a pastor stationed at a state university in America, is the labor attempted by Rev. W. E. Witter, D.D., and Mrs. Witter at Gauhati for the students in the government college there. It is also quite different because of the different civilization and the lack of Christian environment in Assam. It is the aim of Dr. and Mrs. Witter to provide such environment and, in the refined atmosphere of a Christian home to which all students irrespective of race or creed are invited, to do personal work in leading them to Christ.

Most of the year they were in very cramped quarters in the house of Rev. G. R. Kampher, but late in the year Rev. A. J. Tuttle moved to Shillong to assign the house he had occupied for the full use of the Witters. Under date of December 19, 1914, Dr. Witter writes:

"It is Sunday, our first in the bungalow into which we have recently moved. You can hardly imagine how good it seems to have a chance to breathe freely — take in a really full breath in space not cluttered. One of the hardest things we have ever done was to come here to occupy the place so long the home of the splendid Tuttles, and we did so only at their most cordial insistence. They have felt from the first that this was the place for us and insisted on vacating that we might have it. While we have been moving, many times we have been interrupted by boys and young men coming singly

and in groups to call upon us. Again I must reiterate what I have so often written, namely, that Mrs. Witter and I were never so happy in Christian work as we are with these boys and young men. Hardly a day passes but something wonderfully interesting happens. The boys open their hearts fully to Mrs. Witter. They always want to see her. She has great influence with them, and I am sure is doing quite as much, if not a good deal more, than I am doing. She loves the work with an intensity that is contagious and in the most tactful way converses and teaches about Christ and our religion, ever showing its superiority over other religions. The boys and young men listen with all eagerness to her heart-to-heart messages to them, and it is most interesting to watch the gradual change from prejudice to openmindedness and finally to assent. On the other hand we wonder how long some of them will retain the attitude of the defensive. After a few weeks the expressions begin to change, and fellows who when they first came never dreamed of altering their views, become inconsciously our best helpers in dealing with new boys and young men who come and are constantly bringing friends of theirs to see us who would not have come but for their persuasion. Last night I was talking with several of the students, one of them a college man in the skeptical stage, and I read to them that wonderful thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians. After some of the fellows had gone, one who remained remarked: 'Life is not worth anything without love.' Mrs. Witter and I seldom both leave the bungalow after 3 P. M. until dark, as we feel that one of us must be here to meet these promising students."

CONFERENCE SECRETARY

In one respect, that of the unification of the work through the election of a conference secretary to give his entire time to the work of the field as a whole, Assam leads our missions in India. Its stations were so isolated that no attempt was made by the missionaries to get together for conference until 1886, and it was not until the year 1914 that the first all-Assam convention for all Baptists in Assam was held. But realizing their isolation and the need of getting together and of developing the field as a whole and establishing higher educational work in which Assam was sadly deficient, they elected Rev. A. J. Tuttle to be conference secretary. The plan was welcomed by the Board and was heartily entered into by the missionaries. At the time of the Judson Centennial celebrations in Burma Mr. Tuttle made a tour of that country keenly observing methods of work with reference to their further use in Assam. His service has been very efficient and marks a step forward toward the solution of the problem of administration on the field. Another step in that solution was witnessed when at the annual meeting of the Assam conference held in January, 1915, it was voted to reduce the number of members of the Assam Reference Committee from six to four including Mr. Tuttle, in order to reduce traveling expenses and loss of time away from the missionary's own field consequent upon having a larger committee. It was also voted to accept appropriations in gross for a period of three years beginning with 1916–1917.

THE SOUTH INDIA MISSION

THE South India mission has been brought to prominent public attention this year by the publication and wide reading of a notable missionary biography, "Social Christianity in the Orient," a story of a man, a mission, and a movement, by John E. Clough, D.D. This is one of the great books on foreign missions, admirably setting forth the breadth and scope of a great missionary life and the history and development of the mission to the Telugus. It should be read by every one who desires to become deeply informed of the significance of this mission to low caste people in India in which "God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are, that no flesh should glory in his presence."

The Telugus number about twenty million. They are of Dravidian stock, originally Hindus, pantheistic, polytheistic, idolatrous, poor and degraded. Most of the converts have come from the lowest caste, the Madigas or leather workers, and continue to come from that caste. It is interesting to note that great numbers are still baptized every year. The ingathering does not cease. Ongole reports 542 baptisms the past year, Kanigiri 524, Donakonda 305, Kurnool 278, Bapatla 240, Podili 226, Madira 211, and Nellore 133.

More and more, converts come from pupils in the schools who are under training and have in themselves, because of their training, greater potentialities for the uplift of their race. Converts are also coming from higher castes. The Sudras, who are farmers and artisans, with more of this world's goods than the Madigas, are becoming receptive of the gospel. Inquirers appear even among men of the highest Brahman caste, but many lack courage to break with that iron bound social system into which they were born. Caste is the greatest obstacle in India. Nevertheless the movement is upward, not only from caste to caste but most noticeably of all in lifting the people who were at the bottom upward into a nobler type of living, indicative of the new and expanding life of a new creature in Christ. One naturally looks for this in the children trained in mission schools, but progress is also noticeable in the simple Christian villagers.

NEW LINES OF PROGRESS

New progress is manifest in desirable lines, first in the social betterment of village life arising from the cleanliness, ambition, industry and self-respect of Christian villagers, and second in increasing self-support of local Christian work. Rev. Geo. H. Brock of Kanigiri writes: "This year we struck a new note indicating progress on all lines. I have made a note in my diary that I

have visited a poor Christian hamlet that is the cleanest cluster of houses I have seen in India. Certainly many of our Christian hamlets, which formerly were unspeakably dirty, now lead in cleanliness. The government officers give a similar testimony. The Christians have found themselves. New hopes and ambitions have entered into their hearts and lives. They respect themselves more and the non-Christian people treat them with new respect. Better homes, better clothing and better aspirations are easily noticeable. 'If any man be in Christ he is a new creature. Old things are passed away, behold all things are become new.' "

Kanigiri is the place in which the great mass movement toward Christianity began under Dr. Clough and Kanigiri always held a warm place in his heart. In the division of the field, when it was made a separate station in 1893, in passing it over to Mr. Brock, the new missionary, he said, "I give you the apple of my eye. Take care of that field." How his heart would rejoice with that of the missionary now in charge, in this later, beautiful fruitage!

Progress has also been made in self-support. Various specific instances have been reported. Rev. John Dussman of Vinukonda writes: "Last year we had two self-supporting churches but now we have added one more. A few years ago we almost despaired of the church, but in some way a new spirit was manifested. They rebuilt their 'prayer-house' and with that came new life and activity." He reports also that the four other churches in his field which are not self-supporting provide more than half of their own support. The Hanumakonda church is self-supporting and in that field has been organized the "Self-support Society" for home mission work. It raised 270 rupees last year and supports a native evangelist. Rev. F. Kurtz of Madira writes: "As we entertained both the association and the convention this year, the church expenses were heavy and as a result we report the largest gifts for any year of our history. Four new buildings were erected in out-station villages by the native Christians."

THE EXTENT OF THE FIELD

Originally begun in British territory of the Madras Presidency in cities and towns not far from the coast, the work has now spread until it comprises twenty-nine mission stations, six of which, Secunderabad, Hanumakonda, Palmur, Nalgonda, Sooriapett and Jangaon are beyond British territory in the Dominion of the Nizam of Hyderabad, a progressive Mohammedan prince in feudatory relation to the Government of India. This native state is familiarly called the Deccan. The remaining twenty-three stations are in British territory. The whole field comprises 42,236 square miles. Most of the stations can be reached by railway and the work is done in one native language, Telugu. South India is thus our largest homogeneous mission, within which men may be readily transferred from station to station as need may arise and be able with a knowledge of one native language to make themselves understood, a thing which is impossible in Assam or Burma because of the different languages in which work is carried on at different stations.

Changes in the Missionary Staff

Twenty missionaries returned on furlough during the year, viz.: Rev. W. T. Elmore, Ph.D., and Mrs. Elmore, Rev. T. Wathne and Mrs. Wathne, Rev. W. Boggess and Mrs. Boggess, Rev. W. E. Boggs and Mrs. Boggs, Mrs. W. L. Ferguson, Rev. A. Friesen, Rev. J. M. Baker and Mrs. Baker, Rev. E. Bullard, Rev. C. Rutherford, Rev. E. O. Schugren and Mrs. Schugren, Rev. W. J. Longley and Mrs. Longley. Two missionaries, Miss Katherine Darmstadt and Miss Sarah R. Bustard have died. Two missionaries, Miss Anna Degenring, M.D., and Miss Frances M. Tencate have returned to the field and two others, Rev. A. H. Curtis and Mrs. Curtis are about to sail.

Change of Mission Treasurer

After nearly forty-one years of service as treasurer of the South India mission, Rev. D. Downie, D.D., resigns that office, impelled by advancing age and declining health. Both the mission and the Board have expressed high appreciation of his excellent work as treasurer, and he in turn places on record that much of the success attributed to him really belongs to his efficient and faithful assistant, Mr. A. C. Veeraswamy, of whom Dr. Downie writes: "It is true that I took him as a little famine boy in the great famine of 1878, gave him an education and taught him bookkeeping, for which he seemed to have a genius, but he excelled his instructor long ago. A better investment in the training of a native assistant never was made in this mission. I trust he may live long to continue his good work." The mission treasury is now placed in charge of Dr. Ferguson of Madras, with the assistance of Mr. A. C. Veeraswamy.

EVANGELISTIC WORK

While South India is reported by Rev. David Downie, D.D., to be more poorly manned for its present work than at any time for forty-one years, much less evangelism can be expected than usual. In a shortage of missionaries, attention must be given to organized school work, for if that should decline it could not readily be restored. Nevertheless it is gratifying to note that missionaries, although burdened with many other duties and often with the care of two mission stations, have found time for much touring to the villages in direct evangelistic work. Mr. Brock states that his first tour, beginning in January, extended over seventy days, along the western side of the Eastern Ghauts, where there are many Christian villages. Later he made short trips to various parts of the field but was hindered considerably by rain, cattle disease and cholera. He was well received everywhere in a most friendly manner. Every night crowds of people listened as long as he had strength to talk to them. The gramophone was much enjoyed, especially the Telugu records. Touring keeps the heart in sympathetic touch with the needs of the people, both Christian and non-Christian.

Rev. W. S. Davis of Allur writes: "Our touring season has not been as long as we would like, but while we were out, a great deal of work was done. Many thousands were reached with the word of God, much of the harvest of

which God alone will see and gather. Instead of going to the villages with my preachers as I used to do, I let them go without me while I stay behind. After the evangelists are gone, the caste people come to me and I am kept busy during the whole day in personal work among that class. I sometimes go alone to the village and make friends of the influential Sudra caste. I go into their homes and am received by them as one of themselves. At night we have our large tent meetings, when there will be gathered in front of our tent from 200 to 1,500 people. Many times we have had between 500 and 1,000 people sitting on the ground listening to the music of the gramophone as it played Christian hymns, and to the preachers as they told the old, old story, and yet ever new, of sin and salvation, of Jesus and his love. I have seen an expression of awe come into countenances of those to whom I was expounding the majesty of God and the love of the Lord Jesus Christ: and yet they are tied to their present condition with chains forged by the prince of darkness, which caste rules forbid them to break. On this field we do not have the people coming for baptism in large companies or by whole villages as in some other fields. But there is a slow, steady growth. They come to us in ones or twos or not more than a dozen at one time. Out of about fifty-five villages on our field, we have Christians in some thirty-five of them."

The report of Rev. F. W. Stait of Udayagiri indicates that during the twelve months the field has been thoroughly toured and inspected. He finds that the Christian villagers need steady and patient teaching, for lack of which some have fallen away from the little knowledge they had gained and have returned to debasing customs. He finds the three great obstacles to the acceptance of Christianity on the part of the lower classes are: "First, the worship of idols with all its feasts and ceremonies such as the beating of drums at the Mohorum and the accompanying vile dances and sensual rites. Secondly, the restrictions of caste for caste is in very truth the great god that governs India. And thirdly, the degrading habit of eating carrion which is rife among all the outcastes and forms an impenetrable barrier between them and those who regard the partakers in such loathsome feasts as on a level with jackals and the scavenger dogs of the village."

Rev. J. W. Stenger of Nellore states that touring has been his principal work during the year, that there are nearly a thousand hamlets in his field, and that he has tried to reach as many as possible of them with the gospel message. Gospel portions and tracts are much more readily sold than formerly. One hundred and thirty-three converts have been baptized during the year, which is the largest number ever baptized in one year on the Nellore field.

Rev. W. A. Stanton of Kurnool, Secretary of the South India Reference Committee for the year, reports that his touring was greatly interfered with because of the arduous duties of that office in addition to his other work, but that the field is white to the harvest. The people are eager and expectant, the doors are open on every side and he believes they are on the threshold of a great movement among the people. Rev. G. N. Thomssen states that owing to great pressure of station work but little touring could be done, yet 240 converts have been baptized during the year and many others are prepared to be baptized as the result of the work of native Christians.

Rev. J. A. Curtis writes: "In spite of resolutions to the contrary, the care of two stations has reduced the days we hoped to tour. Before taking charge of the Ongole field we toured twenty-three days. Later the Ongole field got forty-five days and Donakonda field thirty-five days, a total of 103 days. A highly successful tour so early as June was a new experience. Mrs. Curtis toured more days with me than ever before, to the great joy of the Christian and Hindu women." Regarding methods of training workers when on tour in actually doing the work he writes: "Taking over Rev. J. M. Baker's touring band, we have continued almost unchanged his touring methods. The workers' meetings on tour have been devoted to talks on homiletic methods. A new feature added to the grove meetings is a talk to the children, Christian and non-Christian, who collect when the band and gramophone begin to play. Some of the workers are attaining skill in speaking to children. Our night meetings with the Sudras are times of closest attention in almost every case."

Rev. A. M. Boggs writes of touring in Faruknagar: "The first part of the year was spent on tour on the Faruknagar field in the Deccan. There were only two of us but we had a very happy, encouraging time. We were everywhere received kindly and our message was listened to very attentively. Great crowds attended our evening meetings and we believe that the seed fell into many hearts, which, if watered and nourished, would bring forth fruit.

"We had large, successful meetings for three days at a great Hindu festival. The third night we were actually invited inside the Hindu temple for our service. We were not slow in accepting the invitation and rejoiced over the fact that, once at least in the history of that temple, the gospel of Jesus Christ was preached in that stronghold of Hinduism. Representatives of all castes, as well as the officiating priest himself remained quietly to the end of the meeting. We praised God for what He had brought to pass."

Rev. G. J. Huizinga states that he has this year toured every part of his large field holding mass meetings at night and preaching to smaller groups during the day. He travels with five preachers — all experienced men.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

The Ramapatnam Theological Seminary

The Ramapatnam Theological Seminary is the institution in which men are trained for direct evangelistic work and in which most Telugu preachers, pastors and their wives, receive instruction. Husbands and wives take the same courses of study. The seminary has passed its fortieth anniversary. Rev. J. Heinrichs, the president, has completed twenty years in the service of the institution. In July and August, owing to illness in the family, the following members of the faculty, Rev. W. T. Elmore and Mrs. Elmore, Rev. W. Boggess and Mrs. Boggess, Rev. T. Wathne and Mrs. Wathne, returned to America leaving only Mr. Heinrichs and a native faculty to do the work of the school. Rev. W. E. Boggs stepped into the breach and rendered efficient service in the department of church history and English. Mr. P. Prasangi of

Atmakur and Mr. G. Abraham of Markapur, both promising recent graduates of the seminary, have been called as teachers on probation, the former in New Testament studies and the latter in church history. The following text-books have been published in Telugu during the past year: "Outlines of Church History" by W. B. and W. E. Boggs; "New Testament History and the Lives of Christ and Paul" by J. Heinrichs; "Exegetical Notes on I and II Peter, Jude and I, II and III John" by W. T. Elmore; "Exegetical Notes on Genesis and Exodus" by J. David.

The theological students united with students from the high schools in camp-meetings under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. in which many promising young men decided to consecrate their lives to the service of the Master. There is notable progress in responsibility which Indian Christian students are feeling for the evangelization of India. The Telugu churches are cooperating with the seminary. In all associational meetings a prominent place on the program is given to its representatives. Last year twenty-nine churches contributed 203 rupees and 144 individuals eighty-eight rupees, a total of 291 rupees toward the support of the seminary. This is a gain of forty per cent. over the contributions of 1913.

High Schools

This mission has no college but has four flourishing high schools, the Coles-Ackerman High School, Nellore, Rev. L. C. Smith principal; the Nellore Girls' High School, Miss Ella M. Draper principal; the American Baptist Mission High School, Ongole, Prof. L. E. Martin principal; and the Coles Memorial High School, Kurnool, Rev. Henry Huizinga principal.

The Coles-Ackerman High School has a staff of twenty teachers and 450 pupils, which is the highest number recorded for many years. A spirit of harmony and cooperation prevails, and the results of the examinations set by the government were considerably above the average for the presidency, and the best in English that the school has ever achieved. In stenography and type-writing, excellent results were obtained. A beginning has been made of industrial work. The library numbers 1800 volumes, of which about 200 were presented during the year by J. Ackerman Coles, M.D., of New York. There are four literary societies conducted by the students. Weekly meetings are held. Athletics in drills, gymnasium, field sports, football, badminton, tennis and cricket receive due attention. A memorial hostel is building. A students' Y. M. C. A. has been organized which holds weekly meetings for prayer and Bible study. It is a real force in the life of the school. One graduate of this year plans to go to college and then to study for the ministry.

The Girls' High School draws pupils from twelve stations outside Nelore and two from outside the mission. Christian teachers are in the majority. The coming of Miss F. E. Carman adds a valuable worker to the staff. Pupils are increasing, but early marriage cuts off attendance in the higher classes.

The Coles Memorial High School, Kurnool, has reached an enrolment of 387 students, showing progress over the attendance of the past three years which was respectively 187, 238 and 332. The present roll consists of 113

Brahmans, 122 non-Brahman caste Hindus, 85 Christians, 62 Mohammedans, and five Panchamas. The school is outgrowing its class room accommodation. The teaching staff now numbers twenty-two, of whom seven are college graduates. The total expense of the school for the past year, exclusive of building work, was over $10,000, of which the Society contributed only $1580 in addition to the salary of the missionary. A students' home to accommodate 100 non-Christian students and a boarding home to accommodate 100 Christian boys, and a house for the principal, are under construction. Dr. Coles has given $6700 towards the boys' homes. The aim of the school is the development of character, patriotism, love of honour, reverence for God, and a spirit of service for humanity. When Mr. Huizinga takes furlough, he will be succeeded temporarily by Rev. B. J. Rockwood of Hanumakonda.

No report has been received from the American Baptist Mission High School at Ongole.

Station Schools

Each station has a central school or schools for its field, generally of middle school grade. To such station schools are drafted the most promising pupils from the village schools with a view to training them for the highest service that their talents justify. In India, boys and girls have to be educated in separate schools owing to early marriage and in deference to native custom. In Burma, co-education is the general practice of station schools, and even of the Bassein High School and the Rangoon Baptist College, though splendid separate girls' schools also exist in Burma and are likely to be more in demand in the future. The station schools are for the most part boarding schools and in the life together of missionary, teacher and pupils, is found the best condition for permanently influencing and shaping young lives to righteousness and service of the Master.

The station school at Bapatla takes the form of a normal school with model school attached, for the accommodation of which a new building has been completed. Here teachers are trained to meet the needs of village schools. Of this work Rev. G. N. Thomssen writes: "Fifteen years ago we formed some twelve students into the normal school with perhaps another dozen in the model school. In 1914 we had 112 teachers undergoing training in our normal school and 266 pupils in our model school. During the past fifteen years we have trained about 700 young men and a few young women for their life work as teachers of primary schools. All of our students have been filled brimfull of John 3:16. In our model school some thousands of pupils have been educated and many of them are filling responsible positions. An incident of the past year shows how non-Christian students turn to God in trouble. During an epidemic of cholera in Bapatla, a Brahman student was seized by the disease in the class-room. Lifting his hand imploringly he turned to his Christian fellow-students and said, "Pray, O pray for me. Only your God can save me." The students prayed unceasingly. The prayer was heard and the lad's life was saved. He is not ashamed to tell all of his faith in the prayer-hearing God of the Christians. This is by no means an isolated case."

Village Schools

Village schools are the lowest unit of educational endeavor. For the lack of better accommodation, they may at first be assembled in the shade of a tree or under some rude shack, with only the levelled ground for a floor, sprinkled with sand to write upon with the finger. Oral teaching of Scripture, prayer and hymns can be carried on without other equipment than a consecrated teacher with an open Bible and receptive pupils. With growth comes a building, apparatus, blackboard, maps, charts, books and paper. The Christian villagers themselves are making progress in providing for their own needs. Rev. Frank Kurtz reports four such buildings erected in the Madira field last year. Some missionaries have as many as 100 of these little village schools to inspect when on tour. Some of them are a source of great joy and others are heart-breaking. Around the better schools grow up better conditions of village life, cleanliness, peace, holy living taught in precept and example by the teacher who has been trained in some station school.

The Bapatla field, with its large station normal school, is especially equipped to provide certificated teachers for its village schools and for the full Christian development of its rural congregations. The people of the villages with the help obtainable from the government for their certificated teachers, are enabled to support their own village school and the enlightened community to manage its own church affairs. They are building their own churches and school buildings, without mission funds, and these are not mud huts but brick buildings with good doors, windows and tiled roofs.

For the Public Good

All educational work is at once admitted to be in the direct line of public betterment, and in a special way chosen missionaries, as members of educational conferences and as educators of students preparing for public service, are given opportunity to serve the state in a large way. Mr. Thomssen at Bapatla has shown that it is possible also by better practical agricultural methods and the introduction of new crops to help the humblest villager to earn from the soil a better living for himself and family, and to have something more to give for benevolence. He says: "It has been our privilege to improve the temporal condition of the people on the Bapatla field during the past fifteen years. Our first public work was to demonstrate to the people how rice can successfully be grown in the swamps of Bapatla. This demonstration work now yields a large revenue to the government and gives a good living to thousands of people. We also introduced the palmyra fibre business, as well as the growing of peanuts, into the district, and these industries have enriched many scores of thousands of the people, but the work that we regard as our best public work is the settling of Yanadu criminals. This settlement work has been carried on during the past two years and has been without expense to any one. The criminals now eat honest food, because we secure honest work for them. Government recognition has been given to our work and soon our colony will be very successful, for the government will give lands for their use. Our colony will eventually contain hundreds if not thousands

of happy, reformed, contented criminals, and is sure to become one of the most flourishing colonies for criminal tribes in India."

Special Work for Criminal Classes

A task more difficult than that for the ordinary villager is that undertaken at Kavali for the criminal caste known as the Erukalas, under Rev. S. W. Bawden. This work has been made over to the mission by the government and consists in segregating this criminal caste into a settlement on a large farm, under discipline to earn their own living, by working under supervision. Hitherto they have been scattered through the villages and have lived largely by thieving. On December 31, 1914, the enrolment consisted of 262 men, 244 women, 157 boys and 128 girls, a total of 791, of whom eight were on leave, forty-five absconded, and seventeen in jail. Mr. Bawden is given large judicial and executive power over this settlement. The government contributed to its current expenses $6200 and $1300 for the sinking of artesian wells, and the purchase of pumping engines, with a view to getting water for irrigation. One well has been sunk to a depth of 220 feet with water sixty-five feet below the surface. A tract of land of ninety acres granted from the forest reserve is to be made over to cultivation. The agricultural and industrial experiments hitherto conducted by Mr. Bawden now have an opportunity of being fully tried out in connection with his attempt to bring the gospel home to this criminal caste. Every man and woman reports at roll-call at seven o'clock in the morning and after roll-call the maistries (bosses) in turn give a ten or fifteen minute Bible talk and a group of school children lead in singing, followed by prayer. Many of the Erukalas join daily in the Lord's Prayer. On Sunday all are required to attend Sunday-school and two preaching services, with the result that Sunday, which used to be known as "quarrel day" is now quietly observed as a day of rest. A native preacher and his wife live in the settlement and spend all their time among the Erukalas. On December 20, thirteen were baptized. There is some opposition but the seed is steadily being sowed and some day a harvest will be reaped. The greatest hope lies in the children of whom 136 between the ages of six and twelve years are in school. Miss Sarah R. Bustard gave her entire time and strength to the care of these children in the boarding school until her sudden death on November 4, 1914. Since her death this work is cared for by Mrs. Bawden. A skilled agriculturist is wanted for this settlement.

Special Work for Indian Students

By this is meant special, direct personal work for students not in our own mission schools, but students in colleges and other higher institutions who are without Christian guidance. We have one center for this work at Bishopville, Madras, in charge of Rev. W. L. Ferguson, D.D., and Mrs. Ferguson, assisted by Rev. T. V. Witter and Mrs. Witter. The University of Madras and other central schools for higher education attract to Madras thousands of students at the formative period of their lives. Away from home, they breathe a new air of freedom of inquiry and investigation and are inclined to consider

what Christianity has to say for itself. Thus the missionary has an opportunity to touch many lives in a friendly way and from the basis of established friendship to make a personal appeal. This work has hitherto been carried on in restricted quarters in the mission bungalow, but by the generosity of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller shortly before her lamented decease is now to be provided with a new hall to cost $6000. Ground for the new building has already been broken and the building is to be completed this year.

On Sunday mornings at eight o'clock opportunity is afforded for private conversation and Bible study, a class in theology meets every Sunday afternoon; Sunday evening a preaching service in English is maintained for English-speaking Indians, and on Friday evening a strong society of Christian Endeavor meets. Prayer and testimony are offered in Telugu and English. Social "at homes" are held from time to time, and tennis courts in the compound attract students. As counsellors, friends and intercessors the missionaries here have a rare opportunity to present Christ to men who will soon be in places of influence. Interest and attendance have been good and results have not been wanting.

MEDICAL WORK

There are in the South India Mission seven American medical missionaries, three American trained nurses, and seven hospitals or dispensaries, located at Nellore, Udayagiri, Ramapatnam, Hanumakonda, Vinukonda, Palmur and Sooriapett. Rev. J. M. Baker now on furlough in America is raising a fund of $27,460 in 2746 shares of $10 for the establishment of the Clough Memorial Hospital at Ongole, the fund to be completed previous to his intended return to India, October 1, 1915. Up to March 27, $16,600 had been secured leaving only $10,860 to be raised. The building is to be erected of stone, as a permanent memorial to Dr. Clough, for the relief of human suffering and as a concrete expression of the love of God to open hearts otherwise barred to the Christian message.

During the past year there has been established on the field a medical council consisting of two doctors, one nurse and two lay missionaries, to have supervision of all medical interests in the mission. This council is elected annually by the conference. A medical policy for the mission has been adopted by the conference. The aim of medical work is stated as follows:

1. The first aim of all medical work is evangelization.
2. The training of medical evangelists, practitioners and nurses, who can multiply the usefulness of the medical missionaries.
3. The medical care of missionaries and Indian Christians.
4. The teaching of principles of hygiene.

Each hospital is expected to have a staff of one or more American physicians, with assistants as required, and one or more certificated nurses. Each doctor in consultation with the station missionary is expected to tour as much as possible through the field in the vicinity of his hospital or dispensary. Fees

are to be charged in proportion to the patients' ability to pay. Methods of recording treatments and operations are to conform to the government system. Higher grade students are to be sent to union medical mission colleges.

It will be noticed that the first aim of medical work in this field is stated to be evangelization. Were it for the sole purpose of bringing relief of physical suffering, the conference believes it would be amply justified, for although the government does much medical work, much remains undone. But the main purpose of our medical work is not primarily to heal people but to open doors for evangelistic work. People of all classes from princes to beggars prefer mission hospitals, and there are many instances in which the treatment given in hospitals has opened doors that previously had been closed to the presentation of the gospel.

WORK FOR EUROPEANS

There is also in Madras a church for Europeans, in which services are maintained in English only. Rev. W. R. Manley and Mrs. Manley minister to the work. Seven baptisms are reported for the year, all from the Sunday school, and other young people are seriously considering the matter of openly confessing Christ. Some British soldiers are found in the congregation. In fact the work is more like preaching to a procession than to a permanent congregation, since transfers in government service occur so frequently thereby removing whole families. The church has fulfilled its promise faithfully in regard to its subscription toward the pastor's support. Mrs. Manley underwent a serious surgical operation from which she made a successful recovery. One of their sons is a medical missionary. Another is a student volunteer, hoping to be sent to the field in the fall.

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Much is done in an advisory way towards administration on the field through the deliberations and action of the annual conference of the American Baptist Telugu Mission. The conference comprises all missionaries and their wives. The last session was held at Ramapatnam for a period of eight days, December 29, 1914, to January 5, 1915. Fifty-nine missionaries from South India were present and the privileges of the conference were extended to Rev. Ernest Grigg, fraternal delegate from Burma, who brought greetings from that land and took part in the meetings. To this conference all committees of the mission report and the field has gone far in organization of committees, so far that in common with other fields it is beginning to reduce the number of committees and is seriously considering the question of administration on the field through mission autonomy. The matter was discussed and a great variety of views presented. Resolutions were passed requesting an enlarged emergency fund and an emergency fund for property needs; that the reference committee may be empowered to make transfer of missionaries on the field with the mutual consent of parties concerned; that the mission treasurer may be empowered to engage passage and defray necessary expenses of mis-

sionaries in emergency cases, and that a beginning be made in reducing the number of committees by eliminating the educational council and the comity committee and delegating their functions to the reference committee. The conference has no desire or inclination to usurp the functions of the Board of Managers but are zealous to safeguard them. Nor is it the purpose to restrict the freedom of any member of the mission in the expression of his individual opinion or in the conduct of his work except in case it should be carried on contrary to the general well-being of the mission or of the Telugu churches. The largest latitude should be given to enable every one to exercise the gifts God has given him.

The entire purpose of the conference is to eliminate as far as possible a duplication of the work on the field and in Boston, to enable matters which are non-contested and of a routine character and concerning which the decision is almost a matter of course, to be definitely and finally disposed of in the most direct way by those most cognizant of the circumstances and the nearest at hand, allowing always opportunity of appeal for a special case. The committee on mission autonomy is continued another year, when the matter will be further considered.

The Telugu Baptist Home Mission Society was advised by the conference to become an incorporated body for the legal holding of sites for churches, schools, houses and lands in villages.

Resolution on the War

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the conference:

RESOLVED: That, in view of the great war in which so many nations are now engaged, in Europe and elsewhere, the Conference of the American Baptist Telugu Mission would [illegible] accruing to the people as a whole under the just and progressive policy of the British Government in India;

That the Conference record its satisfaction at the genuine and wide-spread expressions of loyalty which have been evoked among all classes of the people during this great crisis; and

That the Conference assure the Government that, while the principles of neutrality forbid all American citizens from active participation in other than [illegible] loyalty and cooperation among the peoples in general within the [illegible] has given to our care.

Voted: That the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to send a copy [illegible] Chief Secretary of Government."

PRAYER MEETING HILL

The great Telugu ingathering had its spiritual inception in a sunrise prayer meeting on a low hill near Ongole on New Year's morning, 1854, when Rev. Lyman Jewett, Mrs. Jewett, Nursu, one of the first regular preachers in the mission, Julia, the first-fruit of Mrs. Jewett's school, and Ruth, another of the early helpers, ascended this hill and prayed in faith for Telugu-land. Dr.

Jewett said: "As the sun is now about to rise and shine upon the earth, so may the Sun of Righteousness arise quickly and shine upon this dark land." In answer to that prayer God sent John E. Clough, and famine, and the great ingathering. The site then chosen by Dr. Jewett seven years later became the Ongole mission compound, where Dr. Clough did his great work. Of that morning band of five who prayed in faith, all but Julia have gone to their eternal reward. Mrs. Lyman Jewett, who lived to see her husband's prayer answered and converts multiplied to more than 60,000, passed away at Brookline, Massachusetts, March 11, 1915. Prayer-meeting Hill is now the property of the mission, and one of the Judson party has provided funds to properly care for this sacred hill-top, which has become a place of pilgrimage, and an emblem of faith and victory.

THE BENGAL-ORISSA MISSION

THIS mission, established by the Free Will Baptists in 1836 and administered by the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society since October 1, 1911, deserves to be better known by the entire denomination. In no field in India have we so large a proportion of the intellectual class among the converts. Among them are very able leaders, some of whom are placed in charge of stations that have no resident missionary.

THE FIELD

The field is located to the west and south-west of Calcutta. The north-eastern border is about twenty-five miles, and the southern end is 150 miles from Calcutta. Two districts, Midnapore and Balasore, are commonly reckoned as comprising the field proper. But the three native states of Mourbhunj, Nilgiri and Keonjhar, along the western side of the two districts, have been visited by our missionaries, and are claimed for this field because they are out of reach of any other Protestant mission.

Midnapore district has an area of a little over 5,000 square miles and a population of 2,800,000. One section of this, Tamluk, with an area of 650 square miles and a population of 600,000 has been assigned to the Methodists who can work it from Calcutta. Balasore has an area of 2,000 square miles and a population of 1,000,000. The area of the three native states is about 5,500 square miles and their population 1,200,000.

The country in the two districts is mostly level and much of it so low as to be subject to inundation in the rains. The soil is usually fertile. Rice is the common crop. Garden truck is raised and jute is being raised more and more. All the inhabitants live off the soil. Only a small area in the north in Midnapore district, and another in the south of Balasore, can be irrigated, so the crop depends on the rainfall. Consequently scarcity and famine are a constant menace. This, together with the density of the population, keeps the people exceedingly poor.

There are no large centers of population: Midnapore, the largest town, has 33,000 people. Balasore had 20,000. These towns are the headquarters of their respective districts. Midnapore district has nearly 8,500 villages, and Balasore over 3,300. These villages vary in size from a few houses to several hundred. They are largest and most numerous in the northern and southern ends of each district because of the large rivers.

Midnapore is in the presidency of Bengal, and Balasore in the province of Bihar-Orissa, at the Orissa end of it. The mission is therefore called the Bengal-Orissa Mission. The inhabitants of Midnapore are chiefly Bengalis, but in the western and less fertile part of the district are about 150,000 Santals. There are some Oriyas in the southern part. Balasore is inhabited by Oriyas.

The Bengalis and Oriyas are Hindus, with all the shades of religious belief and unbelief, practices and castes, that go under that name. Perhaps in no part of India are they more bigoted than here. The Santals are Animists, and are much more open to approach and conviction of the truth than the Hindus. There are some 30,000 Mohammedans in Balasore and a larger number in Midnapore.

Stations, Missionaries and Native Workers

Nine mission stations have been opened: Balasore, Jellasore, Midnapore, Santipore, Bhimpore, Chandbali, Bhadrak, Contai, and Kharagpur. Four of these stations, Jellasore, Chandbali, Bhadrak and Contai have no resident missionary, the work being cared for either by a missionary in charge of some other field or by a native brother.

There are some seventeen out-stations, where trained men live with their families and seek to win new converts and to build up the Christians. Schools for boys and girls are maintained in a number of villages and are taught by Christians or are visited regularly by a Christian inspector.

There are now seven missionary families on the field, and nine single women. Two of the men and one woman are physicians. One of the families and three of the women are new arrivals. For assistants there are twelve ordained men and thirty-two preachers or evangelists. There are about half a dozen colporters and thirty Bible women and about 250 school teachers, of whom 150 are Christians and about half of these women. The work is conducted in three languages,—Bengali, Oriya, and Santali, with a little in English and Telugu.

Balasore

Balasore, the oldest station, was occupied in 1838. It is 144 miles by rail from Calcutta, and is the administrative headquarters of the district which is named for it. The institutional work of the mission is here most extensive and diversified. It has twelve brick buildings. There are separate, well-conducted orphanages, or homes, for boys and girls, a home for widows, a fine kindergarten, a primary school for boys and several for girls, a middle English (grammar) school for girls, and a good high school for boys (including the grammar grades) a good industrial school for boys which teaches carpentry, iron work, cane work, book-binding, tailoring and gardening, and a flourishing work among the women of the zenanas. The church is the oldest and strongest in the mission. It has about 300 members and contributed to all causes 999 rupees, which provided 728 rupees for its own support, 124 rupees for the poor, seventy-four rupees for home missions, and seventy-three rupees for out-station school work. It has a pastor who preaches with power. Twenty-six converts were added by baptism of whom twenty-four were from the schools. Miss Lena M. Fenner of Providence, R. I., a member of the Judson Party, who remained at Balasore as a volunteer worker, has given splendid service. There are six out-stations worked from Balasore and the three stations of Chandbali, seventy-five miles distant, Bhadrak, forty-four

miles, and Jellasore, twenty-eight miles, are generally assisted from this station because they have no resident missionary. These stations are all in Balasore district and the two latter are on the railway.

Chandbali is a small port visited regularly by steamers from Calcutta and by launches from Cuttack. It is thirty-five miles from the railroad and is in immediate charge of an Oriya Christian. He is the head-master of the middle English school of seventy-five pupils and looks after the eleven outside village schools as best he can. Two preachers and a Bible woman or two usually live here. The church has forty members, only twenty of whom are resident. It contributed about forty-two rupees. There is one out-station. Bhadrak has had no missionary for many years. There is one preacher and a good primary school for girls. Jellasore was the second station occupied in the field, but in later years it has been so malarious that missionaries have lived there for short periods only. There is a small church and a little community of the families of Christians. There is an upper primary school and a little outside work.

Santipore

Santipore is another station in this district. It is eight miles off the railroad and thirty-five miles north of Balasore. It has middle schools for boys and girls, an industrial school, where weaving is the chief industry taught, and a number of primary schools. Two lady missionaries are in charge, of whom one is a physician, Mary W. Bacheler, M.D. There are two or three preachers, a colporter or two, and some Bible women and zenana workers. This work grew up because of an attempt to colonize the early converts on land taken up by the missionaries. By means of a dam across a small stream, irrigation has been possible, and a small area has been profitably cultivated. There are elements of hopefulness in the outlook. The kindergarten work is strong. The head mistress is very satisfactory and of the fifty pupils, all but two are from Christian homes.

Midnapore

Midnapore is the largest city in the field, and has 33,000 people. It is eighty-two miles by rail from Calcutta. There are a number of primary schools for children of the poor, a fine middle school for girls and another for boys and a large zenana work. Here, too, is the Bible school in charge of Rev. A. L. Kennan, where the preachers and pastors of the mission are trained. The church is large and growing and nearly independent. There are three out-stations looked after from this center. Rev. J. A. Howard and wife who have spent two years in the language school at Calcutta will devote themselves to evangelistic work. Mrs. J. P. Burkholder, Mrs. Ida M. Holder and Miss Ruth Daniels arrived in November, 1914, to strengthen the work for girls and women.

Bhimpore

Bhimpore, eighteen miles north of Midnapore, off the railway line, is the center of a flourishing work among the Santals, a hill tribe, the entire educa-

tional work for whom the government has made over to this mission. There are orphanages for boys and girls and boarding schools for each up to the middle standard with eighty-five pupils in attendance. Provision is made for industrial training and there is a large medical work, centering in Sterling Memorial Hospital. There were 7,680 cases treated at the dispensary last year. The church is large and self-supporting and the Christians are erecting a brick dormitory for the orphanage. There are five or six out-stations and sixty primary schools in the neighboring villages. The mission is working shoulder to shoulder with the educational department of the government for the uplift of the Santals and enjoys the confidence of the authorities to a large degree. At the same time the confidence of these people is being gained and numbers of them are turning towards Christianity. Rev. H. R. Murphy, M.D., the energetic missionary in charge uses a motor cycle for travel among the villages and longs for a flying machine with which to reach the villages in the hills, inaccessible by motor cycle.

Contai, thirty-five miles from the railroad, near the coast, is the center of a very populous part of the district. Mission work here is conducted wholly by Indian workers and consists in evangelistic endeavor with systematic visitation of many neighboring schools to tell the boys about Jesus. A little medical work is also done with good effect.

Kharagpur

Kharagpur is the youngest of the stations. It is a large and growing railway center with a considerable number of people, perhaps 3,000, who use English. So there is an important work for these people, centering in an attractive edifice where a union church worships. There is also a splendid opportunity for work among the native population who flock to the town, and are often more accessible to the gospel than in their old environment. So there is a native church also, which shows considerable vigor, and a primary school is carried on for the children of the Christians and a few others.

Rev. Z. D. Browne and Mrs. Browne joined the mission in November 1914. The health of Mr. Oxrieder was greatly impaired under a burden of overwork and he has been ordered to the hills for three months to recover after which he is to take up work at Santipore.

Results Attained

There are nineteen organized churches in the Bengal-Orissa mission with a total membership of about 1,600 and a community of double that number. There are over 4,000 in the schools of the missions and fully that number are in Sunday schools or receive regular instruction in the Scriptures. The educational work of the mission has done much to create a favorable sentiment toward the message. Industrial training for Christians is regarded as of great importance. For the training of women teachers the mission unites with the English Baptists of Cuttack for the Oriya speaking section of the field, and sends the Bengali girls to Calcutta for training. Temperance instruction has always been to the fore, and the churches have a fixed rule

against the use of intoxicants and narcotics. The missionaries of this field have subscribed 100 rupees a month toward the support of a German missionary family who were deprived of their support by the cruel European War.

Rev. G. H. Hamlen, D.D., and Mrs. Hamlen, who have had twenty years' service at Balasore and are now in America on furlough, undertook at the camp meeting at Ocean Park, Maine, July 23, 1914, to raise $2,000 to send out a missionary family. Mrs. Hamlen pledged one-sixth of the sum. The amount was raised and Mr. and Mrs. Browne were sent.

New Recruits

Although this mission has been short-handed most of the year, it now rejoices in five new missionaries, one of whom, Miss Amorette Porter, admirably expresses her first impressions of the situation in which she finds herself: "When one, who has been in this country less than two months, is asked to write her impressions of it, she is tempted to refuse to do this, especially after she has heard how foolish all newcomers' ideas are to those who have been here longer. This year very evidently must be one of watching and learning. Oh, that we may be teachable! Not for a moment have I regretted coming; rather have I been sorry that so many people in the home country can never have the opportunity. The country is far more beautiful and pleasant to live in than I expected, and the conditions of living make earnest, serious work possible. Though I had loved the people of India for years, yet I find them now more dear to me than I had imagined they could be. Their faults and weaknesses only make them human like myself. There are many ways in which we can be a help to them and it is good to feel that, slowly and steadily, as I learn the language and the ways of life and thought, they may be learning that I am their friend and the messenger of the great Friend."

THE CHINA MISSIONS

POLITICALLY the year in China has been one of stirring events. In the early half of the year the White Wolf occupied the stage. Starting as an ex-military bandit in October, 1913, he soon overran Honan and Hupeh. With a mobile force of brigands at his heels he moved with great rapidity from place to place. Soldiers sent against him seemed powerless to effect his capture. Large rewards were offered for his head. The Chinese press and refugees openly alleged that when hard pressed the Wolf made terms with the soldiers sent against him, giving them, in exchange for rifles and ammunition, silver and other stolen goods. Villages which gave information concerning the whereabouts of the Wolf were later exterminated, "men, women, children, dogs, cats — not a living thing remaining." Honan, Hupeh, Anhwei and Shensi province were devastated. The name White Wolf struck terror in every heart. For ten months the Wolf continued his depredations, leaving behind him a trail of burned villages and cities, broken homes, and ruined lives. Not until August, 1914, was his career brought to an end.

In the latter part of the year occurred the siege of Tsingtao by the combined Japanese and British forces. The fortress fell on the 10th of November. The leased territory was immediately placed under a military administration. Japan has announced her intentions of settling the question of the ultimate disposition of Kiaochao, in consultation with her ally Great Britain, when, at the end of the war, the terms of peace are decided.

In Peking certain reactionary movements have appeared. The strong agitation on the part of the Confucian Society for the establishment of Confucianism as the state religion has resulted in a compromise on the part of President Yuan. On the one hand, the ancient rites have been restored in the Temple of Heaven with appropriate ceremonies; on the other, repeated assurance has been given that religious toleration will be continued throughout the country.

The long promised presidential election law has been issued. This law provides that the president shall hold office for ten years and may be eligible for reelection. Nominations for the office of president are to be made by the president himself. Should the power thus given to the sitting president be thought not enough to check an undesirable successor from securing office when the presidential ten years are up, then the state council may extend the term of the president and thereby render an election unnecessary. The president himself is eligible for reelection and may be voted for at the same time as the candidates nominated by him.

Another indication of reaction is the restoration of the bamboo as a means of corporal punishment. By vote of the administrative council the bamboo may be applied in certain cases, but the number of strokes administered shall

in no instance exceed 120. Adultery, gambling, obtaining money by fraud, or being engaged in improper occupations or business, are crimes which are punishable with the bamboo.

Notwithstanding these apparent backward steps, the present government is the strongest in years. President Yuan is a thorough patriot and wise administrator. Unworthy officials are being weeded out, able foreign advisers have been secured, the revenues have increased and an internal loan of $8,000,000 successfully floated.

From a religious point of view the year has not been less interesting. In East China the Sherwood Eddy meetings have made a profound impression. At Chaoyang in South China a people apparently prepared of the Lord are eager for further Christian teaching. In West China the friendliness of the officials and gentry is in striking contrast with other days. The hour for Christian advance has struck. On every hand the rising spirit of independence in the Chinese church calls for ever increasing grace, humility and tact on the part of the missionary.

THE SOUTH CHINA MISSION

POLITICAL conditions are still unsettled. Everything is in a state of flux. Armed robbery, clan fighting, piracy, sacking and looting occur. Yet the people pursue the even tenor of their way. The fact that China has not gone to pieces entirely in the past few years is due to the stable character of the people themselves more than to any other cause. Bountiful crops and the good prices which the products of the land command have done much to counterbalance the effect of war on business. While there is no love for the foreigner as such, on the other hand there is no outspoken condemnation of Christianity on account of the war among Christian nations. The United States by remaining neutral has gained immensely in the minds of the Chinese.

INTEREST AMONG HIGHER CLASSES

From Changning, Ungkung and Kaying come reports of a turning toward Christianity among people of wealth and influence. In Changning leaders of the literary and official class are among the converts. In Ungkung more than thirty of the leading men in a certain locality have made a move to build a church and open a self-supporting work. In Kaying an entrance has been found to many homes hitherto closed to the missionary. Particularly in the town of Thicha in the Kaying field is this true, where the wealthy man of the place is most cordial, promising $100 toward a chapel as soon as our missionary commences building.

A Remarkable Opening

Three years ago Christianity was practically unknown in the important city of Changning, the center of a large and populous district among the

Hakkas. Today there are in this district two organized churches with forty-five members and a considerable number of interested inquirers. Each church maintains a school, and meets all necessary expenses without foreign aid.

In 1912 Rev. C. E. Bousfield and Mrs. Bousfield visited Changning and finding that there was no resident missionary in the district comprising six counties and a population of a million and a half, secured a Chinese house as a residence and began to hold services. Soon interest was manifest, especially among some of the educated Chinese of the city. The first convert was baptized one year ago.

Nowhere else in our work in China has the gospel message taken such hold upon the better classes of the people. One of the early converts was a military commander, who immediately surrendered his commission and has entered the medical department of the University of Nanking in order to fit himself for service as a Christian physician. Among the other converts are the postmaster, one of the magistrates, a member of the National Assembly and former President of the Provincial Assembly, and several teachers from the public schools. Only two families of all represented in the membership of one of the churches are without representatives in government service. Yet the converts have come from all ranks and include farmers and tea growers, shopmen, students, teachers and officials.

The movement promises to be distinctly Chinese and to develop very largely without financial help from the mission. Thirteen educated men, some of them holding degrees, are planning to fit themselves for Christian service either as preachers or physicians. No foreign money is asked for church or school buildings or for the maintenance of Chinese workers. A committee of the South China Reference Committee recommend the development of this movement, and the appointment of a second missionary to have general charge of educational work.

CHINESE INITIATIVE

Rev. J. H. Giffin reports decided progress in self-support in the Kaying field. An envelope system has been adopted, some promising a certain amount a week, others so much per month, and some paying by the year. By this method nearly enough has been raised for the support of a preacher. The Christians are enthusiastic for self-support and it is hoped to make the church entirely self-supporting next year. In Ungkung a monthly evangelistic campaign was held covering the whole field. This was planned entirely by the Chinese Christians. In some of the churches there are organized bands that go out every Sunday afternoon for street preaching after the services for the day are ended.

Endowment Funds from the Chinese

An interesting development in Chinese giving is reported by Mr. Adams. Some six years ago the church members and adherents got together after a

Christmas feast and decided to subscribe a fund for endowment purposes. In all about $250 was subscribed. This fund was to be left until such time as the accumulated interest should equal in amount the original capital, when the original capital was to be repaid to the shareholders. The local rates of interest range from twelve to fifteen per cent. Shares were sold at $1 each. At Christmas 1914 this fund matured. The time had come for the return of the original capital to the shareholders. Since the commencement of the European war rumors had been circulated that certain missions were hard pressed for funds, and that in one case there was danger of a mission hospital being closed for lack of foreign funds. After a thorough canvass of the shareholders it was found that they were willing to sacrifice the repayments due them in order to form the nucleus of a new fund to be called the Hospital Endowment Fund. After a clear statement and some discussion it was unanimously agreed to do this. The fund started with a fully paid up capital of $275. A board of three trustees for the management of the fund was chosen. A part of the money will be placed on interest in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Kityang

Notwithstanding the fact that there had been no resident male missionary at Kityang during the greater part of the year, Rev. J. M. Foster, D.D., upon his return in November, found the work in good condition. The total contributions for church, school, mission and benevolent purposes have increased more than twenty-eight per cent. over the previous year. Two new buildings worth at least a thousand dollars have been completed and one that had been nearly destroyed by a typhoon rebuilt. All this has been done with funds raised on the field, save for a gift of about $100. At Miow in the Kityang field a serious situation had arisen on account of the church in that place refusing to listen to counsel and declaring themselves independent. Within six weeks after reaching the field facts came to light absolutely unsought which gave Dr. Foster the mastery of the whole situation.

Siam

The news from Siam is encouraging. The wife of the Chinese pastor has opened a primary school for girls. Her presence makes for an increased attendance of women at the services, of whom a much larger number than formerly are going to Siam.

THE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

The unsettled condition of affairs, so far as the government program of education is concerned, affords a splendid opportunity for the Christian school. Many of the so-called government schools are closing because of lack of interest or funds. An attempt on the part of the Chaoyang magistrate and gentry of the county to open a grammar school failed from lack of funds, although some seventy boys had already passed the entrance examinations.

The mission schools are consequently full to overflowing. Ten years ago there were thirty boys under instruction in the whole Chaoyang field. As late as 1913 there were only 150 boys, but in 1914 the number increased to 330. The year 1915 will almost certainly see the 400 mark reached. The number of schools which it is possible to open is limited only by the resources of the missionaries. In order to remove from graduates any disability in the matter of holding public offices, Rev. A. F. Groesbeck, D.D. is seeking government recognition for the Chaoyang schools. Such recognition does not involve any curtailment of the missionaries' privileges in the matter of giving religious instruction. It seems only reasonable that the government should know what the missionary is teaching its citizens. Moreover, it is felt that such recognition will greatly increase the patronage of the mission school from good non-Christian families, thereby broadening and deepening the religious influence of the work.

Training Class at Hopo

During the year the time of Rev. George E. Whitman of Hopo has been largely occupied in teaching the training class. There have been eight men in attendance throughout the year. On account of Mr. Whitman's impending furlough, the class is closed so far as Hopo is concerned. Plans have been made to open at Kaying in March. Of the eight men in the class, four will go to Kaying for further study. Two expect to go to the Shanghai Baptist Seminary, one will take up work at one of the outstations, and the future of the remaining one is undecided. Several preachers' meetings have been held at Hopo. At the July meeting special attention was given to Bible teaching, singing and sermon making, Mr. Whitman, Rev. A. S. Adams and Mrs. Adams being instructors.

The Swatow Schools

The Swatow Baptist Academy enjoys an enviable reputation in South China. Its opportunities are constantly enlarging, bringing new administrative problems. The influence of the school is felt throughout the whole district. It is the aim of the administration to serve the whole Swatow field just as the Canton Christian Academy serves the Canton field. The fulfilment of this ambition requires adequate equipment. Rev. A. H. Page, after a year's furlough in this country, has returned to the academy. The teaching force has been further strengthened by the sending out of Mr. Newton H. Carman under a two years' contract. The girls' boarding school at Swatow is closed temporarily. Miss Mabelle Culley, however, has been appointed principal and is now on the field engaged in language study.

Swatow enjoys the distinction of being the pioneer mission station in all China in the training of Bible women. About forty years ago Miss Adelle Fields started such work. Then there were five women studying for a few months. Now there are forty who come for nine months each year in a four years' course. Then one woman constituted the whole faculty. Now five

Chinese women — soon to be increased to six — two foreign women and one Chinese man make up the staff. Miss Melvina Sollman is the able leader in this work.

It has been found necessary to close the Ashmore Theological Seminary temporarily. Rev. G. H. Waters' return to the United States left no one to take his work. Only by seriously crippling the evangelistic work in the inland stations could a man be secured for the position. Moreover, the services of Rev. William Ashmore, D.D., were urgently needed for the important task of translating the Old Testament. Furthermore, it is desired to make some changes in the curriculum and to raise the standard of admission. On that account a recess of a year was deemed advisable.

Christian Schools in a Confucian Temple

At Hopo the mission premises have been found inadequate to meet the growing demands of the educational work. Rooms were secured in the Confucian temple for the training class conducted by Rev. George E. Whitman. Later it was found necessary to move the boys' school also to the temple property. Arrangements were made with the trustees whereby the entire temple with outbuildings is turned over to the mission for use as a school, with a three years' option if needed for so long a period. On the part of the mission, in lieu of rent, sundry repairs are to be made on the roof, at a possible cost of $10. During vacation two caretakers are to be provided. The twenty boys studying in the temple were received into the Christian school on the same footing as other pupils. Of his experience in the temple, Mr. Whitman writes: "The class room was dark and cheerless. No singing was allowed, but the voice could be raised to any pitch in prayer and instruction. For a time, during the hot weather, we moved the class into the main hall, where the god of literature presided. He sat in solemn state while we talked of things beyond his ken. Once in a while some woman came in to burn incense and make offerings, but by tacit consent our work went on as usual."

The China Baptist Publication Society

Our publication society in Canton, China, which is maintained by the Society in cooperation with the Southern Baptists, has broad foundations for a large work and as soon as funds become available a number of new departments of literature will be developed. These will include denominational literature, tracts, periodicals, books on Christian culture, national moral reforms, international justice, theology, apologetics, Christian biography, as well as books on health and hygiene. In addition considerable attention will be paid to the production of translations of German, English, Scandanavian and American works. There will also be a special department for the distribution of literature through colportage and bookstores. To carry out this program it will be necessary for American Baptists to make substantial gifts. Men who understand China best are calling attention to the fact that this is the one opportune time to make the best use of the Christian printing press in China.

Our representative on the staff of the China Baptist Publication Society, Rev. Jacob Speicher, is at present on furlough in America. Rev. R. E. Chambers, D.D., of the Southern Baptist Mission, has been in charge of the publishing plant. A large amount of literature was published during the past year. Unfortunately details regarding this had not been received at the time this report went to press.

MEDICAL WORK

The year is marked by the retirement of Anna K. Scott, M.D., after twenty-five years of medical work in Swatow. Mildred Scott, M.D., granddaughter of Dr. Scott, has been appointed to Swatow and is now on the field studying the language. Since the departure of Dr. Scott, C. B. Lesher, M.D., has rendered such service in the hospital as his work in Chaoyang would permit. At Kityang Edythe A. Bacon, M.D., has been at her post in the Josephine M. Bixby Hospital throughout the year. Miss Luciele A. Withers has been transferred from Ungkung to Canton as superintendent of nurses in the Canton Medical Mission Hospital. She is now in this country and will take up her new work upon completion of her furlough. With the conviction that the solution of the medical problem lies in the thorough training of Chinese physicians, Henry W. Newman, M.D., has been designated to medical education in Canton which has been named by the China Medical Association as the center for a medical school for South China. Concerning the medical work done in Chaoyang by Dr. Lesher and Mrs. Lesher, Dr. Groesbeck, in his annual report for the station, says: "Statistics show how willing the Chinese are to pay and how many come for treatment, but they do not tell the whole story. So many of those whom the missionary physician is called upon to minister to would die without his aid. Neither do statistics tell the story of the power of this method to make known man's love to man, a love that can be born only of the love of Christ, a love that is of the very essence of the teaching of Jesus."

THE EAST CHINA MISSION

AT the conference in 1913 a committee on efficiency was appointed. One of the duties assigned to this committee was that of making a survey of the field of the East China Mission. Over six weeks' investigation, in cooperation with the Church Missionary Society, was carried out in Shaohsing, using a questionnaire which had been prepared and translated into Chinese for this purpose. It is planned during the present year to make a comprehensive survey of at least three additional prefectures.

UNION INSTITUTIONS

Cooperation among the several missions working in the East China field is very general. The mention of the various institutions in which the Baptist

mission is in organic union will indicate the scope of the movement. These are, the Shanghai Baptist College and Theological Seminary, the Nanking University and Medical School, the Hangchow Union Girls' School, the Huchow Union Hospital, and the Ginling College. There is also a working agreement in boys' educational work with the China Inland Mission in Kinhwa, and with the Church Missionary Society in Shaohsing. The latest addition to the list is in Ningpo where the Church Missionary Society and the American Baptist Mission have agreed to unite their respective hospitals under the name of the Ningpo Union Hospital. The new institution will be owned and managed jointly by the two cooperating missions. It is planned to have two foreign doctors and one nurse from each mission. For the present both plants will be utilized, at least until new buildings are erected.

EVANGELISTIC WORK

A Chinese Built Church

Rev. L. C. Hylbert reports that at Dazia, in the Chusan Islands, a suitable house could not be rented for a chapel. There was some talk of giving up the place but the church members, under the splendid leadership of Mr. Cong the pastor, decided to try to put up a building. A lot was bought and the church members met and leveled it. Some of their friends, seeing their earnestness, came to their aid. The building is now completed and paid for. In the center is a large room which serves as an auditorium. Just off from that on the south side is a day-school room. When necessary these rooms can be thrown into one. On the north is the guest room and living-room for the pastor's family. Outside there are small rooms which will serve for store-room, dining-room and kitchen. Upstairs there are six good sized rooms with a veranda running the full length of the house. The whole building was put up without expense to the Society.

Memorial for Rev. J. R. Goddard, D.D.

The late Rev. J. R. Goddard, D.D., who spent some forty years of service in the Ningpo field, has a great place in the hearts and lives of these people. Many who are not Christians at all speak of him in the highest terms. The Christians look up to him as to a father and his memory is a constant blessing to them. Some friends have put up splendid pictures of Dr. Goddard in all the churches. Some of the Chinese contributed money for a memorial and there was enough given to put up seven good church bells in the churches. This takes in all of the churches which before did not have bells. The Chinese say: "When we hear the church bells calling us to worship we shall always remember Dr. Goddard."

Chinese Associational Missionary

A Chinese associational missionary has been appointed for general denominational work in Chekiang province. The native missionary association and the Society are jointly sharing this work. The associational missionary will visit churches throughout the province, help in local church problems,

hold special meetings, give attention to developing better Sunday school methods, collect funds for the native missionary society, give general supervision to the work of that society, and render any other service which the association asks of him.

Evangelistic Campaigns

Evangelistic campaigns are reported from several of the stations. In May a union evangelistic campaign was held in Shaohsing in which the three missions working in the city joined forces. The days were spent in street preaching and the selling of Gospels. Each evening there were preaching or lantern services in the churches and various chapels of the city. Rev. J. V. Latimer writes of special evangelistic services held in the country. Although the weather was the coldest in twenty years, with the canals covered with ice and a heavy north wind blowing, the Chinese turned out splendidly. In some instances after preaching services lasting from two to four hours the people had to be sent home. During this campaign Mr. Latimer and five preachers made up the team. In Kinhwa, Rev. E. H. Cressy has been making use of the lantern. An outstation was selected and the surrounding villages visited systematically. Two villages were covered each day, the lantern in each case being used with good effect.

The Eddy Meetings

The outstanding event in the religious life of the East China Mission was the visit of Mr. Sherwood Eddy. Shanghai, Nanking and Hangchow were touched as well as the missionary community at Mokanshan. In Shanghai the local church was greatly stirred. The preparations in Hangchow were most complete. Months of careful planning on the part of a union committee had prepared the way for large results. Moreover, the attitude of the officials was peculiarly friendly. Delegations of missionaries and Chinese leaders from Huchow and Shaohsing helped to spread the influence. Meetings scheduled to begin at two o'clock in the afternoon were begun at one instead, and a second meeting, equally large, held at two. More than 1,200 men signed cards to enter Bible classes, and about 300 women in the meetings held for women by Mrs. Eddy. The importance of the follow up work among the women is shown by the fact that Mrs. W. S. Sweet has been loaned to the Hangchow union evangelistic committee for a period of six months for this special task. Among the converts is Wen Shih Tsen, commissioner of foreign affairs for Chekiang province. He has since been received into the Presbyterian church. Mr. Wen attributes his conversion to the influence of Bible study while a student in the Tientsin Medical College and also to the interpretation of the Christian life given by the Young Men's Christian Association. He makes this significant statement concerning his purpose: "I have decided to become a Christian because I wish to be like Christian men whom I have observed—a man with a pure heart, strong blood, true patriotism, and perfect zeal. I believe that Christianity is able to save China. I believe

the Bible is the weapon with which she can work out her salvation and face the civilized world. Now is a time of moral decline and danger among the young men of China. Social evils and temptations abound. Many young men who fall are not themselves blame-worthy. Rather should those be held responsible who might bring about reforms along social lines. Therefore, I decided to make whatever personal sacrifice might be required in taking a public stand in order that I might lead tempted and half-fallen young men into paths of righteousness and morality."

EDUCATIONAL WORK

Throughout the field the boys' day schools are in a prosperous condition. The opening of two new schools is reported from Ningpo.

The Ningpo Boys' Academy has been overcrowded during the entire year. In a school intended for forty boys, more than 140 applied for entrance. Sixty boarders were received. To accommodate this number it was necessary to use a class room for a dormitory and convert a room in the principal's residence into a class room. The school is an evangelizing agency. Twenty-five Christian boys are divided into five groups which go out every Sunday for Sunday school work or street preaching.

In Shaohsing a higher primary school has been opened in cooperation with the Church Missionary Society. The attendance is gratifying and the spirit all that could be desired.

The Kinhwa school has had the best year in its history. An efficient staff of teachers has been secured among whom are two college graduates, two high school graduates, the principal of one of the best Chinese schools in Kinhwa, and two other good men of Chinese training. Four of these are Christian men. The school is particularly fortunate in having as head teacher Mr. Loh, a graduate of the Shanghai Baptist College and a Christian of a virile type. On account of the large number of non-Christian boys in the school there has been at times strong opposition to Christianity. Progress has been made, however, and on the first Sunday in the new year thirty-one boys stood to signify a desire to be Christians. While this cannot be interpreted as anything more than a first step, the fact that several, when urged by fellow students to stand, vigorously refused, indicates that it meant something.

Huchow will soon get very definite returns from the investments of recent years in education. Seventeen of her young people are in schools of higher education preparing for Christian work, two in college, three in the medical school and the others in the academies of the mission. The first Huchow man to be graduated from any school higher than an academy will come from the Shanghai Baptist College this year, and in two years more the first man will be graduated from the medical school. The present dearth of students for the ministry is appalling. Among the seventeen mentioned, however, there are two or three candidates for the ministry.

At Hangchow the year in Wayland Academy has been marked by the largest enrolment in its history. The dormitories have been full to over-

flowing. The dining-room overran into an adjacent bed-room. The class rooms were unable to accommodate the students although recitations were begun at 7.30 A.M. and continued until 5 P.M. Although no special evangelistic services have been held during the year, twenty-five of the best boys have been baptized, several of whom are from substantial families in Hangchow. Of the ten graduates, six are continuing their work in college or medical school, while the other four are teaching in mission schools.

The Shanghai Baptist College

The year in the Shanghai Baptist College and Theological Seminary has been most successful. In the college proper there have been seventy students, in the academy sixty, and in the seminary twenty-seven. Four young men were graduated from the college in January, two of whom are pursuing the advanced theological course and two are teaching. In material things the institution has prospered. The new dining hall is one of the best in China. The Missouri Women's building has been completed. It has a small chapel, four class rooms, and dormitory rooms for the families of the seminary men. Breaker Hall was ready for occupancy in March. The completion of this building will not only give greatly needed additional facilities for seminary work, but will relieve the congestion in the college work in Yates Hall as well. The whole third floor of the new building will be devoted to science, and the library and reading room will have larger quarters. Spiritually the year has been one of blessing. For the term ending in June, 1914, twenty-four were baptized. During the Eddy meetings in the fall twelve more came to the decision. The teaching of science has been found to be one of the most important religious factors in the institution. Superstition cannot long bear the light of modern science.

The University of Nanking

The Society is now a cooperating member of the University of Nanking. The arrangement, however, contemplates participation in university work only, as distinguished from that of the college department. In this way there will be no duplication of the work carried on in the Shanghai Baptist College. Rev. C. S. Keen, after furlough spent in this country, has taken up his work as dean of the Nanking Language School. On account of the European war many missionaries were delayed in reaching China. Consequently it has been necessary to form different classes to accommodate students arriving at different times. This has added greatly to the burden of teaching. Missionaries studying in the school speak in the highest terms of the character of the instruction received.

IN THE STATION HOSPITALS

J. S. Grant, M.D., reports that the year has been notable in that individual needs, bodily, mental and spiritual, have been studied as never before. The men's wards have been full to over-flowing all the year, and the women's

wards most of the time. In Huchow the dispensary has been conducted by a Chinese assistant under the supervision of Rev. M. D. Eubank, M.D. Plans for union with the Southern Methodists are progressing favorably. A part of the land required for the new union hospital has already been purchased. It is to be located close to one of the main gates of the city, midway between the two mission compounds. In Shaohsing Miss Alma Pittman has taken up active service as a trained nurse. The addition of a competent Chinese physician has further strengthened the staff. Among the items of material equipment added during the year, F. W. Goddard, M.D., reports, a pneumatic pressure water system for hot and cold water, a hot water heating system for the rooms which require heating, an ice plant and electric lights. Four dispensary clinics have been held each month at two of the outstations with a view to strengthening the evangelistic efforts of the preachers in those two towns. The hospital in Nanking, formerly conducted by Dr. Macklin of the Foreign Christian Missionary Society, has been acquired by the medical school of the university. The hospital staff is composed of the faculty of the medical school. The management of the institution is in the hands of a hospital committee of which N. W. Brown, M.D., is chairman. The buildings have been repaired and remodeled at a cost of $3,000, and the new operating pavilion, given by Mr. Teachout of Cleveland, is under construction. This is the first building of the medical college.

THE WEST CHINA MISSION

THE year is memorable in that it marks the first journeys by missionaries from Ichang to Chungking by steamer. A modern boat, built especially for up-river travel, now makes the run from Ichang to Chungking in four or five days where formerly an average of four weeks was consumed in the slow moving house boat. It is expected that a smaller steamer will be put on between Chungking and Suifu, which, if done, will cut that stage in the journey from two weeks to two or three days.

THE CHANGED ATTITUDE

The changed attitude toward the missionaries on the part of the people and the officials in West China is most noticeable. The years of revolution have stirred profoundly the inert masses. New ideas have come to the front. New social forces have been set in motion. A new vocabulary has sprung up whose two most important words are "republic" and "democracy." Rev. Robert Wellwood, in an admirable summary of the situation, writes: "We Occidentals may smile cynically at the Chinese Republic and indeed some of China's truest friends would need a powerful microscope to discover the minute republican bacillus. But though minute, the microbe is there and will ultimately affect the whole body of the Chinese people. The recent change

and the resultant discussion has helped to broaden and enlighten the Chinese mind. China found the best occidental opinion approving the revolution and to her great and pleasant surprise discovered that the peoples of the great nations sympathized with her in her efforts to regain and secure political freedom. This was an important discovery for this great nation to make and she has responded generously to this feeling of sympathy."

Rev. Joseph Taylor writes in a similar strain of his impressions on return from furlough: "Coming back after two years' absence, one notes that certain changes have taken place and are permanent whether the government remains democratic or reverts to a monarchy. There is a freedom of approach to the people of all classes that cannot be seriously affected by revolution. In fact *it is a revolution.*"

This spirit of friendliness has taken a very substantial form on the part of the officials. Both the military and civil governors of Szchuan Province were present at the dedication of the Joyce Memorial Hall, the theological building of the American Methodist Mission and the first permanent building in connection with the West China Union University. The military governor declared the building open and both stayed to luncheon, and in the afternoon witnessed the athletic sports of the university. Two days later the military governor gave a feast and at that time presented the university with a gift of $1,500. The next day the civil governor gave a similar feast and matched the gift of his colleague. Not content with having done this, the military governor secured an introduction for the president, Dr. Joseph Beech, to President Yuan Shi Kai, who heartily endorsed the institution and made a subscription of $2,000, thus making a total of $5,000 from Chinese officials.

The missionaries are thoroughly alive to the opportunities which they face. On every hand aggressive constructive work has been accomplished. Mr. Taylor strikes the forward note in the closing paragraph of his annual report: "The land lies before us; the doors are open; the people are ready to receive us; they are in a receptive mood at present. We dare not stand still; to retreat is to deserve defeat. There is but one road open to us and that leads forward. We cannot accomplish our task by simply marking time. Christ and China call us forward. We must obey."

CHURCH LIFE AND GROWTH

The Chengtu Baptist Church

Last October the Chengtu Baptist Church was organized with fifteen charter members. Since its organization nine have been added by baptism, giving a total of twenty-four members out of the thirty-six students in the dormitory. Seven districts are represented by these nine young men.

Giving a Tenth

A noble beginning in tithing has been made in the Kiating field. The first three months under the system were very satisfactory to the missionary. As soon as the church can guarantee the salary the assistant pastor will be ordained as pastor of the church.

In Far Ningyuanfu

The church services in Ningyuanfu have never been better attended. It has been found necessary to increase the seating capacity. The number of children present is a marked feature. There are frequently students from the middle and senior primary government schools. The coming of Rev. J. C. Jensen and Mrs. Jensen to the station is a great addition. The need of a boys' school is keenly felt. The station work is not complete without such a school. This need is the more apparent because the year has been the most prosperous in the history of the girls' school. The boys' school should be reopened at once. During the year there have been forty-two baptisms, representing twelve different places. The oldest was a venerable patriarch of seventy-three years and the youngest a lad of fourteen.

Use of Christian Literature

The large use of tracts and gospel portions is a feature of the work in Yachow. During the year an attempt was made to reach every family in the city. Four teams were organized. Over 20,000 tracts were distributed and 600 Gospels sold. In connection with magic lantern exhibitions given at the church, large numbers of Gospels were also sold.

Baptist Contribution to Evangelistic Work

Rev. H. J. Openshaw was for four months associated with Pastor Ting-Li-mei in evangelistic work in Szchuan. Eighteen different cities were visited, evangelistic meetings being held in schools and churches. A large number of addresses were also delivered before government students and outsiders.

Church Union and the Spirit of Independence in the Chinese Church

The spirit of independence in the Chinese church furnishes an acute problem. A self-governing society has been organized. This society has gone into a village near Chengtu, where the China Inland Mission have a chapel, and opened another chapel. It is also managing an orphanage in Chengtu and calling for subscriptions from foreigners and Chinese alike. The governor of the province and leading officials have made contributions. Among the members are some of the brightest and most intelligent of the members of the Chengtu churches, and some also hold prominent positions in the local Young Men's Christian Association. The advice of the missionaries has not been sought and there is danger of their pulling away from the established churches and starting others. The organization of this society brings up the whole question of church union on which a representative committee of West China missionaries has been working for the past five years. The situation is critical for the Christian church in Szchuan. Great tact and wisdom are needed in order that the movement may be properly related to the missionary organizations.

Bible Study Conferences

Bible study conferences are a feature of the work. At Suifu a three weeks' conference was held immediately preceding the visit of Pastor Ting and Mr.

Openshaw. A meeting for the gentry and students was held at which the government official was present and participated freely in the service. The meetings were a great benefit to the whole Christian community, including members of the China Inland Mission. In Kiating a workers' conference was held during the first two weeks of the year. Bible study, planning the work, estimates of funds in hand and appropriation of these funds to their respective needs, occupied the time. During the summer a two months' Bible institute was held in Ningyuanfu. This proved of great value to the Christians. Mr. Wellwood plans during the coming year to hold such conferences in all the outstations, staying not less than two weeks in each place. At Yachow the classes take two forms. One, a regular weekly class held throughout the year; the other a class meeting daily for a session of from two to three weeks. As a result of these classes there has been a marked growth on the part of the Christians and fifty-four have been received by baptism.

EDUCATION

The West China Union University

The year under review marks the firm establishment of the various schools and colleges of the West China Union University. The college of arts and sciences has in all thirty students. The union normal school has a first class of seven. The medical school has an enrolment of eleven. In February a union language school for missionaries was opened with fifteen students. Connected with the university are also a union Bible school and a union middle school with 160 students. The first permanent buildings on the university campus have been completed. A superintendent of construction is on the ground and is proceeding with the erection of the administration building. The board of governors has secured additional funds for the purchase of land and the university is assured of 120 English acres, most of which has already been purchased.

A comprehensive plan has been developed for relating the medical work in Chengtu to the medical department of the university. All the Protestant forces in Chengtu, including the Canadian women's hospital, voted unanimously to build three hospitals and place the entire medical work of the city, including the hospitals and the dispensaries, under the direction of the university senate. The missions will appoint their physicians to medical work in Chengtu, subject to assignment by the university senate. The work will thus be coordinate, assigning the women's hospital to work for women, one of the men's hospitals to work for men, and the other to some specific work in connection with the university, possibly for research or isolation work.

The Baptist contribution to the university has been notable. Rev. Joseph Taylor and Mr. D. S. Dye are in the college of arts and sciences. In January Rev. J. P. Davies joined the staff of the union Bible training school. In October the union medical school was opened, W. R. Morse, M.D., being our representative on the faculty. Work on the Baptist college building is expected to begin soon as preliminary plans have been drawn and forwarded to the field. About $15,000 is available for this purpose.

Schools Crippled from Lack of Equipment

The educational opportunity in West China has never been surpassed. Of the general situation, Mr. Edward Wilson Wallace, secretary of the West China Christian Educational Union, says, "The past year has been one of [illegible] progress in every department of Christian education in West China." Unfortunately the equipment of our schools is totally inadequate to meet the growing demands made upon them. The school in Yachow, of which Mr. F. N. Smith is principal, has an enrolment which falls just under the one hundred mark. Of the forty boys from all missions who entered the union middle school in Chengtu last fall, the seven boys from the Yachow school were among the first in scholarship. Concerning the needs of the school Mr. Taylor, as secretary of the West China Reference Committee, has written most emphatically. He states that the matter is most urgent. The school is crowded for room; money for the erection of the school building and the house of the principal should be sent at once. The school has developed as far as it can with its present plant and unless relief is sent will either stand still or retrograde. In Kiating the school is housed in rented quarters. Notice has been served by the Kiating landlord that the mission must buy out or move out. The Chienwei landlord has given no alternative and the school has to move again. For fifteen years moving has been the order of the day. So keenly is the need for buildings, owned by the mission, felt, that three of the missionaries have made subscriptions in addition to what the Chinese have already given.

A report by Mr. Wallace, on the dormitory of the Society in the union middle school in Chengtu, while speaking in the highest terms of the neat bearing and general appearance of the students, condemns not less strongly the building in which the boys are housed. The bedrooms are low and unsanitary. To be properly habitable the roof should be raised several feet, the tiles protected by matting and windows cut into the rear walls. Furthermore, the students have no proper study room and are obliged to study at night in their bedrooms. The lack of a study and assembly room is serious. There is no place for morning prayers except around the dining tables, which, in China, are never free from grease. Any services that may be held on Sunday must also be conducted in this room. The kitchen adjoins the bedrooms and two at least of the latter suffer badly from the soot which sifts between the tiles. There is no yard behind for kitchen purposes. The bathing accommodation is also very inadequate. Mr. Wallace strongly urges that the conditions referred to be removed, even though it be understood that the building is only temporary.

Munroe Academy

At Munroe Academy, Suifu, Rev. C. L. Foster, principal, the need in the early part of the year was not so much material equipment, important as this is, as a more adequate teaching force. The supervision of the building of a mission residence made large drafts on Mr. Foster's time. Qualified Chinese teachers of science and English could not be secured, partly from lack of

funds, and partly because they could not be found. It became necessary to put the Biblical instruction entirely in the hands of the Chinese with unsatisfactory results so far as the character of the work is concerned. Mrs. Foster, despite family cares and the ever increasing opportunity for work for women and children, was obliged to take over all the English work. In September, in pursuance of a plan for cooperation in school work with the China Inland Mission, Mr. W. H. Hockman, a missionary of that society, joined the teaching staff. Since the coming of Mr. Hockman, Mrs. Foster has been relieved of some of the English work. The school greatly needs reference works in science and geography, as well as in the history of China and other nations.

MEDICAL WORK

W. R. Morse, M.D., had charge of the Suifu medical work until his transfer to the Chengtu medical school. Upon the departure of Dr. Morse the work of the Suifu hospital was taken over by C. E. Tompkins, M.D. Throughout the year a high standard of efficiency has been maintained. In order to accommodate the patients it was found necessary to place beds in both the attic and the morgue, making a total of sixty-four available beds. Mrs. J. A. Cherney has rendered invaluable assistance. On account of her approaching furlough the need for a nurse is most urgent. To care adequately for this growing work immediate provision should be made for a second physician.

Mrs. F. J. Bradshaw of Kiating, although hindered from work for others by her own serious illness as well as care for the missionary community, was able to relieve in part the cases which came to her. On two different occasions opium patients were treated at the chapel. Some of these are believed to have been really cured and one has applied for baptism.

At Yachow an interesting experiment in industrial work is being undertaken. E. T. Shields, M.D., has established a weaving department which keeps the hospital supplied with cloth for bedding and clothing, and an attempt is being made to produce copper wire screening. The friendship of the officials is marked. One of them was an in-patient for nearly a month. A few military officials of high rank have also been treated. By official request the hospital has been made the headquarters for the treatment of those who are breaking off the opium habit.

The medical work of J. C. Humphreys, M.D., in Ningyuanfu has brought many new faces to the church services as well as making new points of contact with the people. A way of approach is open to the man or woman who has been under his care.

THE CENTRAL CHINA MISSION

UPON his return in the fall of 1913 Rev. G. A. Huntley, M.D., on account of the decision of the Board to withdraw from Central China if a transfer satisfactory to all concerned could be effected, did not reopen the men's

hospital. For a time Miss E. Bretthauer, M.D., kept open the women's hospital but later, on account of her recommended transfer to West China, closed it and removed to that field. At this writing she is back in Hanyang, conducting a dispensary and caring for Miss Annie L. Crowl's work. Miss L. Jennie Crawford and Miss Jennie L. Cody are now on furlough in America. Both expect to go to West China in the fall. Miss Crowl is at Kuling. Mrs. J. S. Adams is at Nanking with her son, Rev. A. G. Adams. The girls' school has been closed, Miss Winifred W. Roeder having been transferred to Yachow.

DIVISION OF THE WORK

The work in Central China has been divided between Dr. Huntley and Rev. I. B. Clark, Dr. Huntley having charge of the Central, Ts'ih-li-t'ang and Hankow churches, while Mr. Clark has charge of Shwangkiai and Kinkeo. The three outstations were cared for jointly. Dr. Huntley has continued his lectures in the Union Medical College in Hankow, giving courses in Medical Jurisprudence, Public Health, Toxicology and Eye Diseases.

EVANGELISM

Mr. Clark writes: "In general both evangelistic and educational work have suffered because of the uncertainty as to the future here. There have been a total of eighty-six added to the eight churches by baptism throughout the year, although careful work on the church rolls has actually decreased the membership of some of our churches. It should be remembered that names were retained of those who had been dead or unknown for years, in one case seven years, some six and some five. The rolls have not been properly revised since the war in 1911, and many of our members were then scattered and have not been heard of since. These were the first baptisms since the war and some of the candidates have been waiting for years, during which time they have been amply tested. Among them are the son of one evangelist and the younger brother of another, the wife of my personal teacher, two teachers, and over twenty pupils from our schools. There were also three brothers in one family, two brothers in two other families, a father and two of his sons, a mother and her young daughter, a grandmother and her married daughter. The family relation has long retarded church membership in China. The day of its helping forward Christianity has already dawned."

Of the eighty-six baptisms, forty-two were in the three more remote outstations. For some years these stations had been practically without visitation from the foreigner. The baptisms reported are evidence of the faithful work done by the preachers at these places. Closer supervision, however, is desirable. This can easily be secured as one of these places, Kiayu, can always be reached by launch in one day. Another place, Shenshan, can ordinarily be reached in one day by launch. Puchi, the other place, requires two days. This is on the proposed Hankow-Canton Railroad, however, and when this part of the line is constructed will be within a few hours of Hanyang.

The effects of the European war have been keenly felt in Central China. The cost of living has increased. Many have been thrown out of work. Busi-

ness has been seriously interfered with. These hardships have only served to increase the religious opportunity. Evangelistic services have been well attended and the interest good. The Chinese leaders understand that the war is due to a lack of Christianity. Many of the members, however, are puzzled. War is not esteemed in China as it is in western lands where centuries of laudation, martial music, literature, art and history have crowned it with honor. The coming Christian China will be a stronger peace advocate than the United States.

EDUCATION

There are six junior primary schools for boys in the Central China field. These schools have never been standardized. A start has been made toward bringing them up to the standard set by the Central China Educational Union. The central school is a model, but on account of the lack of properly trained teachers the other schools are far from satisfactory. Some of the teachers who have normal training are very deficient in their Chinese subjects. Among those baptized during the year are four pupils and a teacher from one of the boys' day schools. In view of the proposed withdrawal two of these schools are being closed.

THE JAPAN MISSION

POLITICAL UNREST

THE year in Japan has been marked by a widespread feeling of unrest. Peacefully disposed Japanese have been astonished at the feeling of opposition to the United States. Several causes for this state of affairs are suggested. A limited number of military officials would welcome war. Newspapers, of the yellow type, are making their full contribution. The fundamental cause, however, seems to go deeper. A large number of people are smarting under what they feel to be the unjust treatment which the nation is receiving at the hands of the United States. They find it impossible to be patient and see no way to support the honor of their country but by war. The present ministry is one of unusual strength and thoroughly pacific in its character. Moreover, some of the outstanding leaders of the nation, represented by such men as Baron Sakatani and Dr. Nitobe, are urging the people to be quiet and patient and are assuring them that the American conscience will yet be aroused to the injustice that is being done the Japanese people, with the result that America will give Japan what is just and fair. It is of the utmost importance, therefore, that a very strong effort be made in America to suppress as far as possible "the repeated and irresponsible attacks and reflections upon Japan" which have found their way into both the secular and religious press. The visit of Dr. Shailer Mathews and Dr. Sidney L. Gulick to Japan is most timely and their reception hearty. It is an hour when the brotherhood of man should be emphasized as never before.

EVANGELISM

Baptist Participation in the Three Years' National Evangelistic Campaign

This is a union campaign in which all the denominations are uniting in a nation-wide effort to give the gospel to the people. In this campaign the Baptists are doing their share. Rev. J. L. Dearing, D.D., is treasurer and a member of the committee which plans the work. Dr. Chiba — president of the theological seminary — has been in charge of some sections of the campaign and is one of the prominent speakers. Rev. Wm. Wynd took a large part in the Tokyo section. Rev. Wm. Axling and Messrs. Imai and Sone have also been called upon a great deal as speakers. The results are most gratifying. The people are hungry for the gospel and many are accepting Christ.

Mr. Axling tells of stirring experiences in connection with the Tokyo section. As a member of the executive committee, and treasurer of the campaign in Tokyo, he has been active in the planning and conduct of the work. On ten different occasions during the campaign he made addresses in different parts of the city. Concerning a meeting, in which he spoke with Hon. T. Ando, M.P.,

at Pastor Uemura's church, Mr. Axling writes: "It was a wonderful meeting. At the close thirty-four took a public stand for Christ and the new life. The night before there were thirty-one persons who, in the same place, made the great decision. In all the churches the results of this campaign are most gratifying. The heart of Japan is more and more opening toward Christ."

Of a ten days' campaign in the Sendai field Mr. Axling says: "During this campaign I had the privilege of speaking in five public schools at the invitation of the principals. I mention these things to show you that Christianity has been given a new day in Japan. In one place the principal of the local school came to the church service bringing six of his teachers with him. This was the first time such a thing had ever occurred in that place and it will have a great influence on the future work in that town."

A United Evangelistic Campaign for Osaka

In accordance with the plans of the national committee, cooperating with the local committee for Osaka, during the month of May, 1915, a united evangelistic campaign will be carried out in Osaka. The best evangelistic workers, both foreign and Japanese, will be secured. Plans are being made for meetings in factories and other places where large numbers congregate, as well as in theaters, tents and churches. The city authorities have asked that a Christian talk be given in each of the schools. In this way about 100,000 children will be reached. Careful preliminary work will be done. Following the week of prayer in January, a week was given to prayer meetings in the houses of the believers in different parts of the city. On some evenings from twelve to sixteen such meetings were held. These were followed by two weeks of union meetings in all the churches of the city, at least two evenings for each church. The month of February was given to special work by each church individually. March was another month of union effort and in April the churches gave themselves again to individual work each by itself. Thus, in special preparation for the work during the month of May, two months are to be given to union effort and two to such work as each church may wish to do individually.

Interest in Religion

Rev. E. H. Jones reports a very general condition of inquiry on the subject of religion among the people of Mito. At one place, after twice sifting the congregation by asking those who wished to become Christians to remain, and then dismissing the meeting, six were left. Of these three were very much interested and will soon be baptized. Mr. Jones also makes large use of scripture portions, particularly the Gospel of Luke, and tracts. On one occasion a young man, who had learned something of the gospel in Mito, came to the meeting at Kasama bringing with him a dozen young men, his pupils in the agricultural school in which he is a teacher.

A new preaching place has been opened at Morioka. Ten years ago a similar experiment was made. After six years, however, the chapel was closed through lack of interest. Many stood outside to listen but none would

come in. No converts were ever baptized from that preaching place. The work in the new chapel, however, has been more prosperous. Great care was taken to make it attractive, convenient to enter, warm, comfortable and interesting inside. Now, after ten years of failure, this work is a success. From ten to twenty business men enter, stay through the service and remain for the after-meeting. They come regularly twice a week and are studying the Bible. Some of them have begun to attend the church service, even though this involves a trip across the river. Pastor and missionary are greatly encouraged.

Transfer of Responsibilities to the Japanese Church

The first year's trial of the scheme for the transfer of responsibilities to the Japanese church has not been encouraging. Japanese who are interested in the scheme have been discouraged by the falling off of contributions. On the other hand, it should be borne in mind that the war has made the year one of great hardship for the Japanese Christians. Moreover, the plan was not fully understood in many of the churches. The recent selection of Pastor Ueyama of the Yokohama church, one of the best men in Japan, as secretary for the Native Missionary Association, giving one half of his time to its work, gives promise for the next year.

Bible Translation

Rev. C. K. Harrington, D.D., writes that work on the revision committee has occupied by far the larger part of his time. A report of the work done by the committee during the year follows:

A final reading of the committee's manuscripts of their revision of the four Gospels, putting them into shape for publication;

The completion of the work on Acts, chapters VIII–XXVIII;

The revision of I, II Thessalonians and Galatians from the preparation of the preliminary draft to the final revision;

The preliminary draft of I, II Corinthians, the discussion of this draft in I Corinthians I–XIII, and final revision of I Corinthians I–IV;

The preliminary draft of Romans and Ephesians.

The Fukuin Maru

For the first eleven months of the year the Fukuin Maru went in and out among the islands of the Inland Sea. The greater size and speed of the new ship made possible more frequent meetings for believers and inquirers, the communion service for little groups, social gatherings for Christians, and meetings for consultation as to methods of work. So great were the evidences of God's blessing upon the work of the ship that one worker exclaimed in a workers' meeting, "It is the Acts of the Apostles over again. Let us thank God." In December the sailings of the Fukuin Maru were ordered discontinued by the Japanese government. The only neutral vessels allowed to go through the Inland Sea were those engaged in foreign trade. The government

could not give the ship freedom under the American flag, unless an exception was made which might prove embarrassing. Since the ship is registered in Japan also, Captain Bickel might have got around the difficulty by flying the Japanese flag. This he decided not to do because the authorities told him that the ship under the American flag was making a good contribution to international relationships and they prefer that it be left as it is. Personally, Captain Bickel was told that he might go wherever he pleased. Because he knows so much about the channels and fortified zones, he has voluntarily declined to accept all liberties given him. He has enjoyed the confidence and support of the authorities for fifteen years and could do nothing less now in time of disturbance than to take every precaution to prevent annoyance.

Activity of Laymen

One of the encouraging features of the work in Osaka has been the activity of the laymen. A member of the West Church worked out a plan for an evangelistic movement throughout the whole association, the result of which was most encouraging. Another layman in the same church originated a laymen's evangelistic band. This band has done effective service, both in the chapels and in street preaching.

Working Overtime

At the beginning of the year Rev. J. H. Scott, in addition to his regular work in Osaka, had charge of evangelistic endeavor in Kobe and Kyoto, and was serving as mission treasurer for Japan. When, on the first of February, serious illness compelled the return of Rev. G. W. Hill and Mrs. Hill to America, the oversight of the balance of the work in Osaka and in Kyoto fell to Mr. Scott. Fortunately, Rev. J. A. Foote and Mrs. Foote were located in Osaka in the middle of April and Rev. R. A. Thomson and Mrs. Thomson returned to Kobe at the end of the month. The extra work, however, with its attendant anxiety, took its toll from Mr. Scott in the shape of a physical breakdown, which was cured only by a good rest during the summer at Karuizawa.

Tokyo Central Tabernacle

Great delay has been experienced in the rebuilding of the Tokyo Central Tabernacle. After the contracts were let, washouts on the railroad delayed the arrival of piling material for the foundation. It is hoped to complete the building by the end of the year. In the meantime Mr. Axling is in America in order that the opening of the new tabernacle may coincide with the beginning of a fresh term of service instead of coming just as the missionary is starting on furlough.

Need for Adequate Equipment Imperative

The lack of adequate houses of worship is lamentable. In Tokyo the work which is carried on in rented street chapels is still at the mercy of unsympa-

thetic landlords, still liable to eviction, still kept on the move. Baptists are the only denomination working in the city without church buildings. In Mito success is also made difficult by similar lack. Mito is now the center of a growing, and, as regards the number of evangelists, large work. The church is housed, however, in an inconvenient rented building and on account of a noisy skating-rink the location must be changed. A group of missionaries who met Secretary Franklin in Tokyo were emphatic in the opinion that they do not want even one new missionary this year at the expense of even one church building. This means that a church building costing $6,000 is more important at this stage, in their judgment, than an additional missionary who will come to spend his life among them.

EDUCATIONAL

A Christian University for Japan

Matters are rapidly shaping themselves for the establishment of a Christian University for all Japan. The Baptist, Methodist, Disciple, Presbyterian and Episcopalian missions are likely to be cooperating members. Dr. Sato of the Sapporo Department of the Tokoku Imperial University and Dr. Nitobe of the Tokyo Imperial University, both well known in the United States as exchange lecturers, have been active in furthering negotiations. The most difficult point has been to decide whether the university should have its own preparatory department or leave the work of preparation to the various mission schools. This has been settled by definite agreement that the university shall have a preparatory department of its own.

Duncan Academy

For the year there has been an enrolment of about one hundred. The religious atmosphere had been healthy although the Young Men's Christian Association had not been as active as might be desired. During the year nine students and one teacher have been baptized. Of the class graduating in June eleven were professed Christians, and practically all of the members have testified to the strengthening power of Christian ideals and teachings. The lack of a gymnasium is keenly felt, especially on rainy days when out door exercise is impossible and discipline thus harder to maintain.

Japan Baptist Theological Seminary

Although the faculty have been weakened by absences and resignations, the work of the seminary has gone steadily on. Cooperation with the Presbyterians in teaching non-controversial subjects has made it possible for the school to fulfill all its obligations to the student body. A new department of evangelism has been established. Pastor Imai has been called to this professorship and began his work with the opening of the fall term. An evangelistic hall has been opened on one of the busiest streets of Tokyo and here the theological students — under Professor Imai's personal direction — are trained in the doing of actual evangelistic, Sunday school, and all other

forms of religious work. In addition to this Professor Imai gives regular courses along these lines at the seminary. This new department is proving a great boon to the students.

The Waseda Dormitory

Rev. H. B. Benninghoff is now in this country on furlough. Not long before his departure for America, President Takata called him into his office and offered him the choice of two different sites on the university campus as an inducement to him to raise money for a building for Christian work. Mr. Axling, who had oversight of the Waseda work until his own furlough, writes as follows: "As far as my experience and observation goes, and I have covered Japan from the Hokkaido to the Liuchiu Islands, I know of no opportunities for Christian work that are more pregnant with possibilities and promise than are offered in this work at Waseda University. Ten thousand students! a clear field! backed by the hearty support of Count Okuma, President Takata and the faculty! Does not that fire the imagination and fill faith's horizon with visions!"

Luncheon to President Takata

An opportunity for returning the courtesy shown to Professor Benninghoff by President Takata was furnished on the occasion of the visit of President Takata and party to Boston in October. On October 8 a luncheon was held in his honor at the Hotel Bellevue. Resident members of the Board and several leading Baptist educators were invited to meet him. The occasion was most enjoyable and left pleasant memories on both sides of the Pacific.

The Yokohama Evening School and Dormitory

In Yokohama there is an evening school and dormitory conducted by Dr. Dearing. The present corps of Japanese and foreign teachers is perhaps the best the school has ever had. All are Christians. The reality of the war is brought home by Dr. Dearing's statement that foreign young ladies have been substituted for young men as teachers in the school. This was made necessary by the fact that the young business men of Yokohama had gone to the front in large numbers. Every evening a religious service is held. The Christian and moral influence of the school is unusually strong. Students who are unable to spend the entire evening in the school frequently come just before the religious exercises or go away immediately after. There is an immediate response to the appeal which the character of Jesus Christ makes to such men after their minds have been relieved from prejudice. A number of the students have been brought into Bible classes. One young man's attitude, which was strongly antagonistic to Christianity at first, has now so completely changed that he frequently comes from Tokyo to Yokohama, especially to be present at the Bible study.

The dormitory extends a welcome to young business men who are beginning life in the city. The temptations which such men meet are tremendous. The

very few who stand only serve to emphasize the difficulty of leading a clean life. The dormitory is made a kind of social club, a sufficient number of Christian men being in residence to give the institution a strong Christian tone. Various forms of entertainment are given in the building. Frequently the young men are entertained in the missionary's home, sometimes all together, sometimes in groups. An ex-pastor is superintendent of the building. Daily religious services are held and more or less personal work done among the men. Both the dormitory and evening school are conducted on self-supporting principles and comparatively little is required from mission funds for the conduct of these institutions, beyond a part of the upkeep of the building.

CONTRIBUTION TO INTERDENOMINATIONAL MOVEMENTS

Dr. Dearing renders a large service in connection with interdenominational movements in Japan. He serves as editor and publisher of "The Christian Movement in Japan" which is published jointly by the Conference of Federated Missions in Japan and the Federal Council of Korea. He is also secretary of the Federated Missions in Japan and the Japan Continuation Committee. In September Dr. Dearing represented the Federated Missions in Japan as their first fraternal delegate to the Federal Council of Korea.

THE CONGO MISSION

THE reference made last year to a changing order on the Congo is strongly supported by this year's reports. Evidence of the new day is furnished in an article by Rev. C. H. Harvey in the Congo News Letter for December, 1914. Mr. Harvey, after working for over a third of a century on the Congo, writes optimistically of the changed attitude toward moral questions. "Formerly, if a man were known to be a thief, he would not lose caste on that account, but rather would be respected if only he were clever enough to escape detection. But it is not so now. For a man to have a reputation for stealing, even if ever so successfully, would class him as a 'kimpumbulu' or shady character, and he would be looked down upon by the more reputable of the community. It is the same as regards sins against chastity, other than polygamy. Before the light of the gospel came, fornication was looked upon as a matter of course, and adultery was easily condoned by a few pieces of cloth; indeed such matters were not thought of as moral questions at all, but merely as affecting personal property, women being regarded as man's possessions. The difference now, however, in point of view is very great, for notwithstanding that there are still only too many lapses into these gross sins, they are today regarded by the public conscience as wrong in themselves, involving shame and reprobation to the wrong-doers. And even lying is looked upon as bad, and to be deprecated, which is very wonderful when one considers that thirty years ago, or less, a native would lie instinctively and for a man to have the reputation for truthfulness would stamp him as of inferior intelligence. In those days, to tell a man that he was a liar was a compliment, for it was equivalent to saying he was a smart fellow; but nowadays, should one native call another a liar seriously and in order to discredit his testimony, he would be in danger of summary chastisement. Indeed, it is the truthful man and not the liar who is now respected. When considering these changes in public opinion there is much cause for thankfulness to God and good reason to take courage. Notwithstanding appearances, things are moving, and they are moving in the right direction."

The war has affected both the natives and the missionaries. Rev. Henry Richards writes that the Congo people are amazed at the savagery of the white man. Rev. P. C. Metzger of Tshumbiri writes: "They cannot understand why white men fight, and are always inquiring when the war will be at an end and if we have no wise old chiefs to whom the warriors will listen." The economic effects of the war have been felt in all quarters. For a time anxiety was felt at many of the mission stations in regard to the supply of provisions. One shipment was lost on an English steamer which was sunk; the next was held up in Antwerp at the beginning of the war. The arrival of an American steamer, however, and the kind offer of the American consul to

meet the needs of the missionaries have relieved the situation. On account of the interruption of steamer schedules no regular mail service has been maintained. Rev. J. O. Gotaas of Matadi sums up the effect of the war on industrial and church life: "On account of the terrible war now going on in Europe the religious work here has, during the latter part of the year, suffered indirectly. Under normal conditions three or four steamers arrive at Matadi every month bringing an enormous amount of cargo. When the war broke out practically no cargo was landed at Matadi for seven or eight weeks and ever since that time the amount has been very limited. This meant of course a reduction in traffic for the railway company. Instead of the usual ten or twelve freight trains being dispatched for the interior daily, one or two a day have sufficed to carry onward the cargo landed here. As fully seven-eighths of the men attending our services are working, either for the railway company, the state or the business men of Matadi, the attendance at our services depends upon the numbers of men employed by these three agencies. Since the decrease in the business activities of these agencies was followed by a dismissal of many men there was also a small decline in the membership of this church and a decrease in the attendance at our services. For example, I have been informed that the railway company in one day dismissed at Matadi no less than three hundred native workers. These naturally returned to their villages, and the attendance at our religious services suffered accordingly."

All the missionaries have united in a resolution sent to the governor-general of the Congo Belge, expressing "their deepest feeling of profound regret in consideration of the appalling conditions that prevail in Belgium." Their sympathy has found further expression in a gift of 700 francs to the Red Cross Fund for Belgian Relief.

AMONG THE CHURCHES

There is a very general feeling that a revival in the hearts of the Congo Christians is needed. Rev. P. A. McDiarmid writes: "What is most needed is a real revival in the hearts of our Christians. The novelty and first interest which held many when the gospel message was new to them have passed away, and they find that this working out their own salvation is attended with many difficulties they had not counted upon, and this because there is too little of the Christ life within to work out, and too small a sowing in the hearts of his Word. The old heathen superstitions that have only been clipped down, and not uprooted, spring into fresh growth crowding out the meager planting of the true message. There is need for a new consciousness of sin; need for a Divine Saviour; need of a conviction that the material things that white men are bringing into the country will not satisfy the longings of the soul." Rev. A. Billington, who after thirty-four years of service on the Congo died at Matadi on February 23, 1915, just before the sailing of the steamer that was to take him home to England, wrote in June, 1914, as follows: "The last few months have, I think, been my most trying in church work. Two or three teachers and several members have had to be disciplined and a spirit of indifference, a worldly mercenary spirit, seems to have come over us." Rev. A.

L. Bain of Lukunga writes of difficulty growing out of the worldly spirit in the churches: "Many old preachers refuse to do evangelistic work or teaching in their towns without remuneration from the mission. Two at our last quarterly gathering announced this in public. A few towns, especially those where an old teacher is resident, refuse to worship unless a teacher is supported by the mission. In one such town a teacher backslid until he became a polygamist and now the twenty-three members are lapsing back. I have sent a teacher to an adjoining heathen town and he will help in the other as much as he can."

Signs of Promise

Signs of promise are not lacking. Rev. Joseph Clark of Ikoko writes as follows: "Our Sunday services are well attended. Very rarely have the worshipers in the forenoon meeting numbered less than 200. Frequently some are required to find seats outside our chapel. There is a children's meeting at the same time as the forenoon service at which we have from fifty to 120 present. The average number is about eighty. The average attendance at the Sunday school has been 214. The interesting problem connected with this work is the management of classes with our poorly educated material. The evolution of an efficient Sunday school teacher is a bigger problem here than at home."

Mr. Clark reports that seventeen were baptized in the lake at Ikoko on Christmas day. Hundreds of people witnessed the ordinance. On the Sunday following another eighteen were baptized and on the first Sunday of the New Year twenty-three. The Ikoko Christians have contributed $502.11 to help in sending evangelist-teachers into the country districts. Where the average wage of a man is reckoned at $2.50 per month this contribution from a membership of 500 is cheering. The giving of the Sona Bata Christians has been generous. Mr. McDiarmid states that a special offering was taken in connection with the Thanksgiving services. The response on the part of the people was general, a thank offering of $144 being received. Rev. H. F. Gilbert reporting the work at Vanga states that the future looks very encouraging. Although the missionary staff will be depleted by the coming home on furlough of Rev. W. H. Leslie, M.D. and Mrs. Leslie.

Rev. A. L. Bain of Lukunga reports an interesting spirit of inquiry among the more perfectly taught, who come to the missionary with fresh, puzzling questions arising out of their private and tribal lives. While the problems presented are at times difficult of solution on account of the many complications, the fact that the natives are thinking into these matters is a source of encouragement to the missionary. Four young men have recently volunteered their services. Two are now teaching and the others may after some training.

The Missionary Afield

The missionaries at Ikoko are rejoicing in the possession of their own launch. Rev. W. E. Rodgers on his return to the field took out a small boiler and engine. Rev. A. V. Marsh with the mission boat met Mr. Rodgers at Leopoldville,

where the machinery was installed. Later Messrs. Rodgers and Marsh steamed the 400 miles up river against a strong current in seven days, thus proving the complete success of the project. The boat is now doing excellent service on Lake Tumba. Of his journeys in the Lukunga field Mr. Bain writes, "During the year I have visited all the field twice and parts of it three or four times. Just at present I am waiting for shoes from Boston; mine are done. When I get reshod I shall be ready for the road again." H. Ostrom, M.D., has made three long and trying journeys in the Ikoko field. Nearly four months have been spent in traveling throughout the district. On the latest long journey Dr. Ostrom went outside the present Ikoko field as far as Bokoliwango near the Lokoro river, east of the north end of Lake Leopold II. For three weeks he marched through entirely new territory where no Protestant missionary had ever been. This out-station work has proved very productive. Of the sixty-two baptisms during the year forty-seven came in from these widely scattered centers. Some of these people had journeyed a distance of four days that they might be examined and baptized.

Printing Press

Rev. A. V. Marsh has had charge of the Smithsonian printing press at Ikoko. The Gospel of Mark has been issued and nearly half of Luke is printed. The schools have been kept supplied with leaflets and booklets. A number of descriptive letters of life and work at Ikoko have been issued.

EDUCATIONAL

There are some serious difficulties in connection with education on the Congo. The missionaries find that they must create a taste for study. Mr. Clark reports that "among our people there is at present little desire for education. To make money seems to be the main object of many and that can be done without learning to read or write." Mr. Bain reports that "certain town people occasionally disturb the children as they are of the opinion that scholars ought not only to be fed and clothed but also to be paid for school attendance. Then at times they send distressing news so that it is difficult to keep some of the children in a peaceful mind."

Another difficulty is that of securing proper teachers. Miss Catharine Mabie, M.D., sums up the situation in these words: "The crying need of all our districts is for really good village schools. We shall never meet that need adequately until we raise up teachers with vision, who esteem the work of teaching children worthy their best efforts." Referring to the work of the practice school in connection with the Congo Evangelical Training Institution she says: "The students should be given studies in practical pedagogy adapted to Congo conditions and then should be required, under competent supervision, to prove out the theories in the practice school. Only so will they catch the vision and under its inspiration work out the unsolved problem of the Congo village school."

Notwithstanding these difficulties steady progress is being made. Boarding schools are conducted in several of the stations. As a result of the work in

the school at Ikoko there are about forty pupils who, if left without a teacher, would be able to use the written word. Of the fifteen baptisms reported from Ikoko during 1914, ten were pupils who had attended the school. Rev. J. E. Geil reports that the young men in the preparatory school at Sona Bata have been used to good advantage as teachers in the day school. By this method of normal training it is hoped to increase the efficiency in the village schools of that district.

Preparatory training schools are conducted in some centers. Primarily the design of these schools is to select and prepare suitable men to enter the training institution at Kimpesi. The preparatory training school at Banza Manteke, which had been closed for four years because there was no one to take the work, has been reopened by Mr. Harvey.

The Congo Evangelical Training Institution

During the first half of the year Mr. Harvey served as principal of the Congo Evangelical Training Institution, Dr. Catharine Mabie being our other representative on the faculty. Rev. Thomas Powell and Mrs. Powell represented the English Baptists. Later in the year Mr. Harvey's illness necessitated his withdrawal from the work. Rev. R. H. C. Graham of the English Baptist Mission, who had been elected principal, was transferred temporarily to his former work in San Salvador on account of a crisis in that field. Mr. Exell of the Baptist Missionary Society has been appointed to take the place of Mr. Graham on the staff, and Rev. S. E. Moon of the Society, who returned to the Congo in August, has been elected principal. The work done in this institution is practical and thorough-going. While biblical instruction occupies the greater part of the time, other branches calculated to fit the preacher for life are also taught. Two hours of industrial work for four days in the week are compulsory for all the men. Carpentry and brick-making have been taught during the past year, no less than four thousand bricks having been made, apparently with complete success. The work for the students' wives has been gratifying. Of the fifteen women enrolled all but two were able to read the New Testament by the end of the school year. Good progress was also made in needle work under Mrs. Powell's skillful direction. Concerning the arithmetic Dr. Mabie writes: "Twice a week they have had arithmetic, but the less said about their achievements therein the better." An interesting phase of the work of the institution is the practice school in which about seventy children are taught. Unfortunately the members of the faculty have not been able to give this school the attention which it deserves. Dr. Mabie writes: "This institution will never accomplish that for which it was founded until this department is strengthened and its vital importance magnified in the eyes of the students. This is impossible of achievement with the limited number of tutors thus far granted to the institution."

MEDICAL WORK

F. P. Lynch, M.D., Miss Catharine L. Mabie, M.D., W. H. Leslie, M.D., H. Ostrom, M.D., R. W. Nauss, M.D., and Judson C. King, M.D., are our

representatives in the medical work, Dr. A. Sims being on furlough. The reports which have been received indicate that the medical work, although crippled by lack of suitable equipment, has gone steadily forward Dr. Ostrom writes: "The work for the sleeping sickness victims is rather discouraging. I have not been able, financially, to institute a sleeping sickness camp where these poor people could be cared for by my own assistants, and so, dependent on friends and relatives for food and care, these unfortunate beings are generally shamefully neglected. They come to get the series of treatments, but nine out of ten are not provided with food or money wherewith to buy it. Even before the war the state gave me notice that I could get no more atoxyl free of charge. What remains in stock is soon finished and then I must buy." Concerning the work at Kimpesi, Dr. Mabie, writing in the Congo News Letter for June, says: "Most days I have a couple of hours of dispensary work and frequently three or four hours a day. Only the fact that we have no hospital or other accommodations for sick folk keeps us from being overrun with pilgrims in search of health. But the law is inexorable. No sick folks from outside may sleep on the premises. Still they come in crowds and manage to find a place to sleep in the native town, fifteen minutes distant." Dr. King writes that the need of a suitable hospital at Banza Manteke is [illegible] The central location of this station makes it easily accessible from all parts of the lower Congo. Patients come by railroad and by trail to the [illegible] Most of them are either chronic or [illegible] cases [illegible] of these classes. The present arrangement is sadly inadequate. One room, with straw mats for a partition to separate the men from the women, five board beds on each side of the mats and a little stove, make up the outfit. Dr. King pleads with burdened heart for such a building as will make possible the relief of those who are being daily turned away.

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS MISSION

THE thorough system of education inaugurated in the Philippines by the United States Government at the beginning of the American occupancy of the Islands has caused great changes among the people. The developments are so rapid that there is danger at times that the Filipino youth may lose their bearings. The missionary has been quick to see the danger and prompt to meet the emergency. In this he has found a powerful ally in the Commissioner of Education, Mr. Henry Martin, who, during the Teachers' Assembly at Baguio last summer, told the large company of American teachers that they are under obligations in their own communities to hold up the same standards and ideals that they know the churches and best communities in America are striving to maintain.

EVANGELISM

In order to be more accessible to the churches of Iloilo province Rev. H. W. Munger has taken up residence at Pototan. Although handicapped by a severe illness during the summer, several extended tours have been made throughout the district. Two new churches have been organized. In Sunday school work there has been a healthy growth. Several new schools have been organized and, until interrupted by the illness of the missionary, monthly conferences were held with all the Sunday school teachers. The most promising outlook for evangelism is in the Sara District where one new church has been organized and considerable interest is manifested among the people. A preachers' association has been organized and the plan of putting as much responsibility as possible upon the churches and teachers followed. The big problem is that of inspiring the teachers with such a love for the work that it shall find inevitable expression in service.

Increased Cooperation Among the Native Peoples

Rev. C. L. Maxfield of Bacolod writes: "The phase of the work that has given us the greatest joy has been the increased cooperation among the native peoples. This is manifest in many ways. The Negros association of churches, at my request has appointed an executive committee to cooperate with me in leading the local churches to a greater degree of self-development, support and propagation. This committee is assuming large responsibilities in helping to select properly qualified native workers and place them where they can do the best work, and in seeing that they do the task assigned. This cooperation has doubled the amount of work that I can do and makes the work grow from the people's own hands and hearts, thus becoming a part of them."

Rev. J. F. Russell reports from the Capiz field that all the old churches have been strengthened, new life marking their activities. Four new chapels have been opened. A rule has been made that all the men and boys must at least learn to read and write their names. They are not only doing this but are learning to read the Bible as well. In Sapian a promising work has been started. In November the first person was received. On January 5 the mayor of the town was baptized. Preceding his baptism he made a public statement of his faith in Christ. A fine young man of splendid education and thorough knowledge of the scriptures was also baptized. The principal of the school has been accepted for baptism, as was also his mother. Work at Pontevedra has been reopened. The wife and daughter of the largest land owner in the place have been received. The husband is now awaiting the ordinance. He has torn down the cock-pit of which he was the owner and on the site a beautiful Filipino church building is nearing completion.

EDUCATION

The Jaro Industrial School

The Jaro Industrial School is perhaps the most interesting educational enterprise in the Philippine Mission. Rev. F. H. Rose, principal, Rev. I. N. Earle, Jr., Miss Mary J. Thomas and Miss A. B. Houger make up the missionary staff at the school. The year has been one of activity in all departments. The administration has been thoroughly organized, giving to each member of the faculty his or her special task. Definite Bible classes have been taught from the fourth grade to the high school department. Extensive repairs and improvements have been made on the buildings and grounds. Among these are the construction of about three hundred yards of roadway, the removal of the farm buildings from the center of the campus to the south side of the farm, the placing of the chapel with platform and pulpit in the north end of the main building, the installation of an office and a reading table in the library, thus facilitating the care for library and text books, the wiring of all the buildings for electric lights, grading and filling in several parts of the front campus, the laying out of walks, planting of trees and flowers, and the construction of four small concrete bridges.

A feature of the life is the school republic. It was originated by Rev. W. O. Valentine and in form it resembles the national government. It has a president and congress and each grade is organized as a state or province. The interest of the boys in the Jaro chapel building fund is attested by their pledge of 112 pesos. There are still other pledges to come in and it is hoped that the total of 200 pesos may be reached.

The religious life of the school has been well sustained throughout the year. Seven students have been baptized since June. Another is ready to be baptized on his return after vacation. Weekly preaching services have been maintained by the high school students in Pavia, Santa Barbara, Malaug and Ito, with Sunday schools, and in some instances Christian Endeavor Societies. The evangelistic work at Jaro is in the care of the Industrial

School. It comprises three large towns as well as many barrios. Boys from the school are used to good advantage in Sunday school work throughout the field.

The Influence of the Dormitory

Rev. H. H. Steinmetz, M.D., writing in the *Pearl of the Orient* for January, 1915, says of the educational opportunity in the Philippines: "It is an event of no little significance that thousands of young people are knocking at the doors of the public school and are denied admittance. The government has not been able to supply sufficient funds, teachers, and buildings for the increasing number demanding education."

The missionaries are keenly alive to the situation. By means of dormitories and private academies the influence of Christianity is being widely extended. During the year dormitory work has gone on with increased effectiveness. The utilitarian character of this work makes a tremendous appeal to the Filipino youth.

Iloilo is rejoicing in the prospect of a new union dormitory. Through the generosity of Mrs. W. H. Dunwoody of Minneapolis a gift of $15,000 is available for the purchase of land, erection and equipment. The dormitory will be managed and controlled jointly by the Presbyterians and Baptists.

In Bacolod the dormitory has been filled to the limit. In a building intended for forty boys, fifty have been housed a part of the year. The great need is a suitable concrete dormitory building. The delay in securing this building is deplorable.

At Capiz a dormitory is maintained accommodating forty boys during their course of study in the high school. It is more than a mere living place. It is a social center with a distinctly spiritual atmosphere. A girls' dormitory is also conducted. The young men and the young women from the dormitories form a prominent feature in the audience at the church services.

During the year Mr. Munger has opened a new dormitory at Pototan. Pototan is described as the most religious and most corrupt city in the province. The young people are singularly susceptible to religious influence. Beginning with four boys the number soon increased to twenty-one. The house has been made a meeting place for the boys of the town. Every day some come in to study, read, chat or play games.

Private Academies

Two years ago a private academy was established by Rev. C. L. Maxfield at Bacolod. The arrangement was that the mission should give some supervision but that the pupils must pay sufficient tuition to meet all expenses, including the salaries of the native teachers. This school has grown from two pupils to more than ninety. There are six native teachers. The cost of maintenance is about $125 per month. The school is housed in a rented building. Although there are government schools in Bacolod, offering the same courses of study except Biblical instruction, yet they are badly crowded and the general and moral supervision not as close as could be desired. Con-

sequently, parents are willing to pay tuition, buy their own books and send their children to the private academy. The school has been recognized by the government and will be able to grant certificates of promotion on graduation on an equal footing with the government schools. It is planned to greatly extend this work during the coming year. In as many large towns as possible private academies will be established. These schools will provide buildings and form a basis for Sunday school and Christian Endeavor work.

MEDICAL WORK

Although Rev. R. C. Thomas, M.D., has been obliged to return to the United States temporarily, the work of the union hospital at Iloilo goes on under the care of Dr. Hall of the Presbyterian Mission and Miss C. G. Benedict, a nurse representing the Society. Miss Benedict reports a graduating class of eight from the training school for nurses, all of whom are Christian girls. These graduates plan to remain in the institution for one year, in order that they may help pay their debt of gratitude and also that they may be better fitted for their profession.

At Capiz the Immanuel Hospital has been strengthened and remodeled during the year, giving ample room for dispensary, laboratory, drug-room, nurses' quarters, store room, general entrance and court, class room and chapel. The entire upper floor is devoted to wards and private rooms with the exception of the space occupied by the head nurse.

THE MISSION PRESS IN ILOILO

During the absence of Mr. J. L. Snyder, Rev. A. E. Bigelow has had charge of the press at Iloilo. The regular publications of the press are *The Pearl of the Orient* and *The Manugbantala*. The former is a quarterly news letter published by the Philippine Mission and containing reports on the progress of the Baptist work in the Philippine Islands. The January, 1915, number is a Capiz number, containing various pictures illustrative of the work in that district. It is planned during the year to publish other illustrated station numbers. *The Manugbantala* is a Visayan religious newspaper published monthly and is the oldest Visayan paper in the Islands. During the year a Visayan hymn book, compiled jointly by the Baptist and Presbyterian missionaries, has been issued. The question of the transfer of the press to Jaro and its incorporation in the industrial school, has been raised but has not yet reached a final decision.

THE EUROPEAN MISSIONS

WITH three of the countries in which we have mission work actively engaged in war, and the remaining countries seriously affected by the struggle, even though they are neutral, the story of the European missions cannot be dissociated from the great conflict. Constructive forces are for the time held in check; all the destructive forces known to man have been released. A pastor giving his time to the administrative work of an army office, others called from their churches for hospital service, pastors' sons wounded and dead on the battle field, church life depressed and in some places at a standstill, sorrow and mourning universal, — such are the conditions among the belligerents. The situation in most neutral lands is only less terrible. Industry has been paralyzed, contributions have fallen off, and forward movements have been abandoned. Whatever our attitude toward the merits of one side or the other in the titanic struggle, the common people of all nations are alike deserving of our deepest sympathy.

FRANCE

THE work in France is divided into two associations, the Franco-Belgian on the north and the Franco-Swiss on the south. Rev. Philemon Vincent, reporting for the Franco-Belgian Committee, writes:

"We had begun the year 1914 with eager hopes. Mr. Horlans, a student in our preacher's training school, had been sent to Brest (Brittany), where he had resumed very successfully the work started by the late pastor Lecoat. Three other students remained in the school, and we had applications for several more. Besides, we had a student, Robert Farelly, in the Baptist Seminary at Rochester, N. Y.

At Denain (Nord), at Chauny (Aisne), at Charleroi (Belgium), the churches were full of a new zeal. At Lens (Pas de Calais), the conditions were altogether bright. In Paris we had celebrated, for the first seven months of the year, thirteen baptisms.

Alas, the Germans have invaded almost all the ground of our Franco-Belgian Association, and still occupy all the towns where our churches are, save three (Paris, Brest, St. Sauveur). All our men are in the camps. Our school is scattered. Many of our brethren have been wounded, several have been taken prisoners, and several have been killed, among these last my eldest son, Paul Ernest Vincent, who studied theology at Rochester, and proved a very efficient helper in the school, in the Avenue du Maine church,

Paris, and in the general work. Young pastor Horlans died also, and Robert Farelly came back from America to be a soldier, so that we were spared no trial.

It is impossible to send you any statistics whatever, or any report, because the Germans do not allow us to correspond with the churches in the districts occupied by them. We only know that pastors Broguiey and Valet in Belgium, Rafinerpue, Trofier, Maneval, Guillaume, in France, are still living. But we have no news whatever from pastors Farelly, Pelee, Cabot, and Mafille, and from Miss Dinoir, and we know nothing about the welfare of their flocks.

As you may suppose, contributions for the general work have altogether collapsed, and we do not know how the churches, in the invaded regions, can pay their own expenses. It is a burden which weighs heavily upon our hearts. The remaining members of the Avenue du Maine church in Paris, although they hardly support their own church, have succeeded, till now, in sending some money to brethren who are prisoners in Germany, and in giving clothes and hospitality to Northern and Belgian refugees; but it is quite necessary now that the Lord would renew in our stead the miracle of Sarepta."

The correspondence of Rev. H. Andru of Compiegne throws additional light upon the situation in the north of France. He writes: "Nine of our groups and churches have been out of reach since August last; and if we can now correspond with three or four others, it takes five or six weeks to get an answer, the letters having to travel via Holland and England. Besides, we know that the groups are all more or less disbanded; a large number of the members are in the army, others have been 'evacués' in other parts of France, and some have disappeared, and no one — but God — knows where they are. Under such conditions you will easily understand that no figures whatever can be given. Up to July no information had been sent in by the churches, and since then we have witnessed only dispersions and sufferings of all sorts. However, a good spirit reigns among the friends who can meet together here and there and we have not heard of any destruction of chapels, except perhaps that at Lens (Pas de Calais). Lately, two letters from Belgium reached us after a long journey. It was a great relief to us to hear that our two principal workers had remained, and keep remaining, in the midst of their groups. We already knew that the chapel at Ougrée (near Liège) had been preserved, but we now know that our other chapel at Mont-sur Marchienne (near Charleroi) has also been preserved. But the news concerning the people make us most anxious. There is no work; all manufactures and pits are closed and the machinery transported to Germany, so that a great poverty has fallen on all. Goods come from America, but are sold at such a price that the poor cannot get them. Hearing that post-office orders can be sent via Maëstricht, and knowing that a small sum sent that way at the end of November last, had reached its destination, we immediately posted a thousand francs to our two faithful and unfortunate colleagues. They have not as yet been able to acknowledge the receipt of the money. Much of my time is spent in writing letters to our soldiers and prisoners, many of whom are without the least news from their families ever since August. They are so glad to receive our letters and the little money we can send them."

Rev. R. Dubarry, reporting for the Franco-Swiss Association of Baptist

Churches, writes: "The war has caused great distress and anxiety everywhere. Nearly all our churches have had their wounded and their dead. But all of them have endeavored to do their duty towards those who have gone and their dear ones who have remained. Evangelistic efforts have been made to reach the tried people at large, and wide tract and Gospel distributions have been made, especially to the troops. The faith and works of our members have been stirred up everywhere. Audiences have had a general tendency to increase; services have been held in an atmosphere of solemnity and earnestness hitherto unknown. Conversion and spiritual progress have been a frequent feature."

The report from which this quotation is taken was written amid the turmoil of a military office in Marseilles where Mr. Dubarry, pastor at Nimes, is stationed in the ambulance service. Every paragraph testifies that the spirit of sacrifice has not died out of the human heart.

Among the wounded that have been removed from the fighting lines on account of wounds or sickness are two of the pastor's sons at Colombes near Paris. At Valentigney two of the pastor's sons, who had just returned from America, have been wounded and taken prisoners. Four of the sons of the pastor at Lyons are in the army, one of whom has been wounded. Three sons of the pastor having charge of the village work outside of Lyons are at the front, one of whom has already been wounded. The pastor at Geneva has been called to the front and nearly all the men have had to leave.

During the first half of the year Dr. Reuben Saillens conducted a fifty day evangelistic campaign in Nimes. It was a time of blessing such as had never been known. Although the pastor was called away shortly afterward on account of the outbreak of war, there was no resultant slacking of the work; earnest and able lay-workers have taken the lead; audiences are on the increase and there are unmistakable signs of a healthy progressive church life.

Writing in September, Dr. Saillens says: "What will be most interesting to you and to American Christians, is the manner in which our sorrow-stricken people look upon the war, and what dispositions they are in. This war has brought out all the best traits of the French character, and has subdued much of the evil among us. All parties are gone. The whole nation is up in arms. Women crowd the churches. The boasting of 1870 has been replaced by a calm, resolute decision to fight it out, and to resist to the last man. In Paris we have offered our church building for a hospital for the wounded, and the authorities have taken note of the offer. There is at rue de Lille a daily prayer meeting, and notwithstanding the fact that nearly all the men are in the ranks, the prayer meeting is well attended. Brother Blocher is at his post there. Here, in the south, the dispositions of the people are most encouraging. Last Sunday I preached in a neighboring town — where the Protestant population numbers about 6,000 — to audiences of 1,000 in the morning, 2,500 in the afternoon, and 600 in the evening, in the same large building. Here I preach twice a week and three times on Sundays in the Baptist and Free Church buildings, which are crowded. The people thirst for the word of comfort which can only be found in the glorious gospel."

GERMANY

THE report from Rev. A. Hoefs of Cassel indicates that the earlier months of 1914 were full of promise. The influence of the churches had become more widespread; people had become more accustomed to and grown to respect the Baptists. The new government official, a liberal minded man, has again granted corporation rights to the Baptist churches, a privilege some ten could not obtain under the former minister who was a strong church man. There are now fifty-five churches enjoying these rights. The other 158, however, practically do not exist so far as the authorities are concerned. Thirty of the churches have their own church property. These fortunate churches are allowed freedom of worship. The less fortunate ones are tolerated, but not a few suffer all kinds of inconvenience at the hands of the intolerant pastors of the state church. Although the two highest courts in Germany have handed down decisions favorable to Baptists there are still fanatical churchmen who, when asked by the Baptists for permission to bury their dead, call in the police. Deaconess work is carried on in Berlin and Hamburg, two houses being occupied in each center. There are in all 260 deaconesses and their work is held in high regard. More than fifty small churches are without pastors. The need of an educated ministry is very great.

In the midst of preparations for the winter campaign the war came as a rude shock. All the men who were able to bear arms were called to the colors. In many churches as high as twenty-five per cent. of the membership were called to the front. The leadership of the churches was also seriously affected, not less than thirty-five pastors being called from their churches. For a time the pastors' college had to be closed but it was later found possible to reopen. The publication house has been active in printing booklets for the soldiers. Four hundred and five thousand copies of "The Little Comrade" were published in German, French and Russian. Besides this many new tracts and extra parcels of books and papers were sent to the men at the front. From the soldiers many good letters have been received. One hundred twenty-five members of the churches have been decorated with the iron cross. On the other hand, it is known that 152 members have given their lives for the Fatherland; some are prisoners in France, England and Russia, and many wounded are in the hospitals. In very many families the bread winner is at the front with the armies and the wife must earn for herself. While the government and the cities are doing their best there are in many houses empty cupboards.

The report pays a fine tribute to the late Rev. Philipp Bickel, D.D., father of Captain Bickel of the Fukuin Maru. Although incapacitated from active service his personal influence was felt to the very last. His spirit was an inspiration and benediction to his colleague who mourns him as his own father.

Abstracts from the letters from Mr. Hoefs' correspondents in South-east Europe follow:

Mr. Walter of Oedenburg, upon his return from a short trip among the villages, writes: "Of the men in those villages ninety per cent. are serving in the army, our colporters being among them, so there is a great deal of work

waiting for me everywhere. Three men, who had asked for admission to the church, have also left for the scenes of war." Mr. Zdrahal of Kesmark states that the war has had a depressing effect upon the church members, as well as decreasing the attendance at the meetings. The women of the church are busy knitting shawls and hoods for the soldiers. Among the German-speaking soldiers tracts and New Testaments have been distributed. It was not possible to do this for the Polish Uhlans quartered in the town because of inability to procure Polish tracts and scripture portions. Mr. Gerwich of Neupest writes: "The high prices of food are hard to bear. I fear that many of our poor members will run into debt and in that way will be crippled in their spiritual life. One of our brethren, who formerly contributed 20 Kr. to the church work monthly, now gives only 1 Kr. Others have been obliged to close their shops and enter the army." Mr. Bauer of Csepel writes: "So far the Carpathian mountains have been as a wall between us and the enemy, so we have been spared direct contact with the horrors of war, but the high prices and the reduction by twenty-five per cent of wages is weighing on us heavily. Yet, with God's help and yours, we have not yet suffered want. My son Joseph, who was wounded in battle, has been in the hospital for two months now and will soon be able to return to the front. Another son of mine is still in Russia fighting." Mr. Vaculik of Liptosztmiklos states that on August 2, while dedicating a chapel at Pribilina, ten of the members were called to the colors and sixteen more were called to dig trenches, none of whom has as yet returned. The invasions of the enemy in the neighboring counties cause great alarm among the people. Mr. Vaculik has been active in tract distribution among the soldiers and ministrations to the wounded in the hospitals. He has kept up a correspondence with all the church members and some friends who have been coming to the meetings. He is also making use of a paper the "Rozsievnc" which was started last year. The discontinuance of the papers published by the brethren at Prague and Brünn has increased the circulation of the "Rozsievnc."

SWEDEN

WHILE showing a decrease in church membership and baptisms, the report of Rev. K. O. Broady, D.D., of Stockholm, indicates a healthy condition among the churches of Sweden. There are 1,076 preachers, an increase of twelve during the year. Eight churches have been added, making a total of 635. There are 54,159 members, a decrease of 109 during the year. There have been 2,390 baptisms, a decrease of 439 over last year. There are 1,273 Sunday schools, nineteen more than the previous year, with a membership of 65,404 an increase of 497 over last year.

These churches are not strong financially. A heavy burden of debt rests upon the chapels, six hundred chapels having an average indebtedness of $1,000 each. Neither are these churches strong socially. They are, however, strong in faith and the knowledge of God. Dr. Broady writes, "Our strength is the word of God. The more we are at home there and use it in the spirit of Christ the stronger we are. This Word it is that inspires all our efforts."

BETHEL SEMINARY

The Bethel Seminary has an enrolment of thirty-seven students. There has been a generous response on the part of the churches to appeals for aid for the seminary. Next year, which will be the jubilee, it is hoped to raise from the churches enough money to cancel the indebtedness of $50,000 resting upon the institution. It had been planned to raise an additional fund for an endowment, but the war has shattered this hope. Classroom work has been greatly interfered with by reason of the fact that students have by turns had to serve a term of about six weeks at some military post. It was feared that money could not be secured to meet the expenses of the school. Happily this fear has not been realized as the people, despite the increased cost of living and decrease in wages, have shown a spirit of sacrificial giving which has resulted in practically normal contributions for the seminary.

SPAIN

THE report of Rev. Ambrosio Celma, a Barcelona pastor, shows that the work in Spain has been indirectly affected by the war. In many cases, owing to a lack of work, there has been a falling off in contributions. The low rate of exchange has also caused considerable financial loss. These very conditions, however, have contributed to bring about a deeper interest in spiritual things and a more earnest spirit of self-support among the churches. The actual condition of the work is good, but the ignorance, bigotry and coldness of the people make progress very slow. The chief center for our work in Spain is Barcelona where Mr. Celma has charge of the Barcelona and Sabadell churches, as well as the outstation work, and Miss Zapater of the work for children. Sixteen have been baptized during the year. With one exception this is the largest number in thirty years and is a source of great encouragement to the missionary. There has been a gratifying increase in the attendance at the Sunday schools. In spite of the hard times contributions have been about $80 more than last year. The church at Barcelona has rented a new building, larger and better suited for its meetings than the old chapel. All the expenses of installation, amounting to more than $300, have been entirely paid by the church.

RUSSIA

THE great event of the year in Russia, apart from her participation in the war, is the edict prohibiting the sale of vodka. This was originally intended as a war measure only. The improvement in the condition of the people under prohibition has been so marked, however, that by imperial decree the sale of spirits is to be barred indefinitely after the war.

Reports from our Baptist work are very meager. The churches which are aided by the Society are those in the Russian Baptist Union. These churches are principally German speaking and are located along the German border. Through this territory the hostile forces have repeatedly passed, bringing misery and death to the peaceful villages. Furthermore, pastors, except such as are recognized by the government as pastors and therefore exempt from military service, and practically all the able-bodied men in the churches have been called to serve in the armies. Consequently church life is disorganized and all aggressive work at a standstill.

A letter from Pastor W. Fetler,* written from Stockholm, Sweden, conveys the distressing news that he has been banished from Russia until the end of the war. The first sentence passed upon him was exile to Siberia. This was later mitigated to exile from Russia for the period of the war. Pastor Fetler further states that since his departure eleven more preachers have been banished, ten of them to Siberia, and six churches closed. On the other hand, we have the statement of the correspondent of the Reuter Telegraph Company at Petrograd that since the outbreak of the war the Russian authorities are abolishing previous restrictions against the holding of prayer meetings by Baptists and that the Baptists are opening hospitals at Kieve, Odessa and Petrograd.

FINLAND

THE Baptist work in Finland is divided along the racial lines of Finns and Swedes. The Swedish Baptist work is sub-divided into three groups, namely, Southern Finland, Wasa and East Bothnia. The Finnish speaking people are about three million and the Swedes four hundred thousand. Rev. E. Jansson reports for the Finnish Baptists. The economic effects of the war have been keenly felt. Only three preachers have been able to give their entire time to the work of the ministry. Of the remainder some, while being forced to spend a part of their time in secular work in order to support their families, have given a part of their time also to preaching, and some, because of the inability of the churches to provide support, have been obliged to withdraw altogether from the work. "Speaking in tongues" has made its appearance in some of the churches causing discord. Despite these discouragements the annual mission meeting held in Wasa in January was a period of spiritual refreshment. Of those who came to a decision during these meetings fourteen have been baptized and others are asking for the ordinance.

DENMARK

SEVENTY-FIVE years ago the first Danish Baptist Church was organized in Copenhagen with eleven members. The Rev. Peter Olsen reports the celebration of the anniversary of that event. A memorial volume was issued reviewing the work from the beginning and covering especially the last twenty-

* Since this was published Mr. Fetler came to America and is now in the service of the American Baptist Home Mission Society in New York City.

five years. While meetings were held in many of the churches, the chief interest was in the First Church of Copenhagen which traces its own beginning directly back to those eleven pioneers. The hearts of the Danish Baptists are burdened because of the lack of growth in membership since 1900. At the annual conference held in Aalborg this problem was the subject of earnest prayer and discussion. At this conference it was planned to establish a fund for assisting weak churches and evangelizing new fields. Ten members of the Copenhagen churches promised to give one thousand kroners ($260) each if other contributors could be found so as to make the fund reach two hundred thousand kroners ($52,000). The outbreak of the war temporarily delayed this project, but at a recent meeting the committee decided to push ahead with the plan. The high school has suffered somewhat from conditions created by the war, but not so much as several other schools of its kind. The number of young men at present enrolled is twenty-four. The training school for preachers has been closed during the winter. Of the four young men who went out last spring, two are engaged in preaching and two have gone to London for a year of further study.

NORWAY

DURING the summer Secretary Franklin paid a brief visit to Norway and Sweden. The outbreak of the war, however, with the consequent uncertainties of travel, compelled him to return to America without visiting Denmark as he had at first planned. A letter from Rev. J. A. Ohrn of Christiania indicates that church life is seriously affected. War prices have already compelled some of the churches to part with their pastors because of inability to pay their meager salaries. Although not as marked as could be desired, there is a tendency on the part of the people to attend religious services. One hundred eighty-three baptisms are reported for the year as against 127 last year. The theological seminary is in good condition. Concerning the work in Norway Secretary Franklin writes: "Like their brethren in Massachusetts and Virginia, a hundred years ago and more, the Baptists of Norway are a plain people fighting the battle of the plain people — a fight for the recognition of the right of every soul to come to God without intervention of church or priest or state, and the sufficiency of personal repentance and faith apart from ordinance, formal creed or membership in special organization. Theirs is a battle worth waging." Dr. Franklin further states his opinion "that while our support may be required in [illegible] evangelistic work at certain strategic centers, our major responsibility is to be met by assisting the Norwegians in the creation and maintenance of agencies which will stimulate the denomination and encourage them to do their own work."

FINANCIAL

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITORS

To the Board of Managers of the
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Sirs, — In accordance with your instructions we have audited the books and accounts of the Society for the year ended March 31, 1915.

We saw that cash recorded as received was properly deposited in the banks, that the cash disbursements were supported by proper vouchers, and we verified the cash balance as of March 31, 1915. The securities were produced to us and found to agree with the investment records.

The revenue account for the year ended March 31, 1915, in our opinion accurately exhibits the income of the Society, and the expenditures and appropriations chargeable against income. This as well as the balance sheet are accurate transcripts from the books of account.

Clinton H. Scovell & Company,
Certified Public Accountants,
Massachusetts and New York.

Boston, Mass., April 15, 1915.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

For the Year Ended March 31, 1915

SCHEDULE I

SUMMARY OF REVENUE ACCOUNT

INCOME

Sources Outside Donations:			
Annuity bonds matured	$25,004 74		
Income from investment of annuity bonds	29,524 36		
	$54,529 10		
Less payments to annuitants	29,460 14	$25,068 96	
Income from investment of funds	$43,271 55		
Special credits to income	552 87		
	$43,824 42		
Less special charges against income	4,987 82	38,836 60	
Legacies		74,324 39	
Sale of land in Congo		9,798 44	
Sale of Tondiarpett property (contra)		3,896 10	
Miscellaneous sources, rent on field, etc.		6,154 19	$158,078 68
Donations:			
Regular			
Individuals		$277,573 60	
Churches, young people's societies, Sunday schools (including $9,010.00 from German Baptist churches)		417,119 84	694,693 44
Specifics received in America (contra)			
For property	$35,518 49		
For general work	7,045 49		
For relief work	3,922 02	$46,486 00	
Specifics received on the field (contra)		28,270 66	74,756 66
Budget income			$927,528 78
Debt contributions			182,845 87
			$1,110,374 65
Budget income for the year ended March 31, 1915		$927,528 78	
Budget outgo for the year ended March 31, 1915		960,822 14	
Outgo exceeded income		$33,293 36	
Debt contributions 1914–15	$182,845 87		
Deficit April 1, 1914	182,713 58	132 29	
Deficit March 31, 1915			33,161 07
			$1,143,535 72

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

INCOME	$253,893 63

SCHEDULE I

SUMMARY OF REVENUE ACCOUNT

OUTGO

Foreign Field Appropriations:			
Field salaries of missionaries		$285,551 91	
Salaries of missionaries on furlough		81,793 99	
Passage of missionaries to and from field		45,619 50	
Work of missionaries and native agencies		225,786 10	
Care of property — rent, repairs, etc.		32,574 24	
[illegible] and widows		17,525 67	
New appointees (salaries, outfits, passages, etc.) (Received $6,277.78 designated for this purpose)		25,318 26	
New buildings, additions, land, etc.		28,493 31	
Property reserve amount		3,896 10	
[illegible] missionaries and missionaries' children		13,432 65	
[illegible] ours		506 20	
[illegible], handbooks and other literature sent to missionaries		817 87	
Secretary's visit to European missions		233 06	
		$781,096 86	
Less savings in exchange and cancellations in previous budgets		30,960 00	
		$750,136 86	
[illegible] received in America (contra)			
[illegible]	$35,518 49		
[illegible]	7,045 49		
[illegible]	3,922 02	$46,486 00	
[illegible]	28,270 66	74,756 66	$824,893 52
Home Expenditures:			
[illegible]	$24,987 70		
[illegible]	19,222 10		
[illegible] of interest and beneficence	57,903 37		
[illegible]	23,436 65		
	$125,549 82		
[illegible] of salary and expenses of Special Joint [illegible]	2,493 99	$128,043 81	
Interest		$1,630 75	
[illegible]		6,041 11	
[illegible]		1,300 00	
Maps		1,441 89	
Northern Baptist Convention, One Per Cent Fund (General Appointment Committee)		4,941 17	
Preparation of History of Society		1,434 80	
United Missionary Campaign		312 89	
		$145,146 42	
Less cancellations in previous budgets		9,217 80	135,928 62
Budget outgo			$960,822 14
Deficit April 1, 1914			182,713 58
			$1,143,535 72

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

OUTGO

Field salaries	$66,516 77
Mission work, buildings, etc.	150,138 27
Specific donations	1,975 75
Home salaries	18,877 01
Passages	16,385 83
	$253,893 63

SCHEDULE II

BALANCE SHEET, MARCH 31, 1915

ASSETS

General investment of permanent and temporary funds and annuity bonds:		
Bonds	$971,058 91	
Notes secured by real estate mortgages and trust deeds	205,298 75	
Stocks	101,213 95	
Savings bank deposit	500 00	
Note	156 00	
Real estate	33,000 00	
Cash (uninvested funds)	229 51	$1,311,457 12
Special investment of permanent and temporary funds and annuity bonds		297,888 66
Accrued income on investments		13,432 17
Advances on account of prospective legacies and real estate		10,316 61
Expenses on maps, Bibles, and medical outfits		1,154 25
Special building loan to church of Christiania, Norway		4,547 72
Advances to missionaries' and children's homes		1,116 40
Advances on account of 1915–1916 appropriations		15,000 00
Advances for which appropriations are needed		24,064 11
Joint debt contributions (cash on deposit)		3,362 63
Mission treasurers' debit balances (including home Treasurer's sight drafts, contra, $375,000.00)		793,960 64
Accounts receivable:		
Donations in transit:		
District secretaries	$92,831 86	
Miscellaneous	200,700 00	
Woman's societies	75,480 53	
Missionaries' personal accounts	17,779 32	
Other accounts (unadjustable debit balances)	6,228 67	393,020 38
Cash		107,030 26
Deficit (see revenue account)		33,161 07
		$3,009,512 02

SCHEDULE II

BALANCE SHEET, MARCH 31, 1915

LIABILITIES

Funds and annuity bonds in general investments:			
Permanent funds		$732,283 26	
Temporary funds		36,241 57	
Annuity bonds	$546,345 96		
Less deferred charges	4,262 00	542,083 96	
		$1,310,608 79	
Reserve for "Gain or loss on investments"		848 33	$1,311,457 12
Funds and annuity bonds in special investments			$297,888 66
Gifts and other funds held for special purposes or future use			16,005 68
Joint debt contributions undistributed to A. B. H. M. S., W. A. B. F. M. S. and A. B. F. M. S.			3,364 08
Drafts and notes payable:			
Home Treasurer's sight drafts (contra)		$375,000 00	
Mission Treasurers' drafts		556 11	
Notes		50,000 00	425,556 11
Accounts payable:			
Missionaries' personal accounts		$15,783 05	
Burma Mission Treasurer's deposit liability (net)		21,833 53	
Other accounts (unadjusted credit balances)		567 76	38,184 34
Suspense net			1,654 50
Unexpended appropriations:			
Foreign field budgets		$911,925 96	
Northern Baptist Convention		3,475 57	915,401 53
			$3,009,512 02

SCHEDULE III

FOREIGN FIELD APPROPRIATIONS

THE BURMA MISSION

1	Rangoon	$58,678 24	
2	Insein	12,003 01	
3	Moulmein	24,707 11	
4	Tavoy	7,375 58	
5	Bassein	12,802 14	
6	Henzada	7,664 01	
7	Toungoo	16,080 30	
8	Shwegyin	5,600 53	
9	Prome	3,208 67	
10	Thonze	2,654 05	
11	Zigon	1,050 00	
12	Bhamo	8,972 38	
13	Maubin	2,959 05	
14	Thaton	261 66	
15	Mandalay	12,557 57	
	(Maymyo)	1,146 67	
16	Thayetmyo	2,864 00	
17	Myingyan	6,495 94	
18	Pegu	1,407 50	
19	Sagaing	3,202 27	
20	Sandoway	5,928 33	
21	Tharrawaddy	3,908 33	
22	Meiktila	3,323 84	
23	Hsipaw	2,256 68	
24	Mongnai	2,958 82	
25	Namkham	4,740 68	
26	Myitkyina	2,140 00	
27	Haka	5,422 16	
28	Loikaw	2,994 67	
29	Kengtung	7,766 67	
30	Pyinmana	3,402 49	
31	Taunggyi	3,296 79	
32	Pyapon	3,904 99	
	Undesignated	1,706 20	
	Donations Received and Used on the Field	11,736 05	
	Total Appropriations for Burma		$257,177 38

THE ASSAM MISSION

33	Sibsagor	$3,439 56	
34	Nowgong	6,960 59	
35	Gauhati	24,821 08	
36	Goalpara	4,586 08	
37	Tura	19,943 42	
38	Impur	8,075 54	
39	Kohima	5,284 66	
40	North Lakhimpur	1,567 99	
41	Ukhrul	5,635 50	
42	Tika	2,213 33	
43	Goi.aghat	6,860 86	
44	Jorhat	6,349 13	
45	Sadiya	3,805 14	
	Undesignated	1,300 00	
	Donations Received and Used on the Field	1,225 36	
	Total Appropriations for Assam		$102,068 24

THE SOUTH INDIA MISSION

46	Nellore	$26,043 71	
47	Ongole	25,980 91	
48	Ramapatnam	9,859 24	
49	Allur	3,349 99	
50	Secunderabad	5,447 33	
51	Kurnool	10,259 99	
52	Madras	17,699 99	
53	Hanumakonda	6,322 25	

UNDESIGNATED		
DONATIONS RECEIVED AND USED ON THE FIELD	7,074	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR SOUTH INDIA		$185,431 42

THE BENGAL-ORISSA MISSION

	4,171	
TIONS RECEIVED AND USED ON THE FIELD		
OTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR BENGAL		$45,619 54

THE CHINA MISSIONS

South China

Donations Received and Used on the Field	1,[illegible]	
Total Appropriations for South China		[illegible]

East China

DONATIONS RECEIVED AND USED ON THE FIELD	12	11
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR EAST CHINA		$104,989 [illegible]

West China

100 KIATINGFU	[illegible]	
101 YACHOWFU	11,[illegible]	
102 NINGYUENFU	[illegible]	
103 CHENGTU	11,012	68
UNDESIGNATED	4,1[illegible]3	42
DONATIONS RECEIVED AND USED ON THE FIELD	330	16
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR WEST CHINA		$49,087 [illegible]

Central China

104	Hanyang	$12,982 61	
	Total Appropriations for Central China	$12,982 61	
	Total Appropriations for China		$232,791 21

THE JAPAN MISSION

105	Yokohama	$12,006 55	
106	Tokyo	29,164 57	
107	Kobe	44,245 42	
108	Sendai	8,923 01	
109	Morioka	6,469 50	
110	Mito	2,858 54	
111	Osaka	15,333 50	
112	Inland Sea	7,471 41	
113	Otaru	100 00	
114	Himeji	5,655 00	
115	Kyoto	150 00	
	Donations Received and Used on the Field	4,029 58	
	Total Appropriations for Japan		$136,407 08

THE CONGO MISSION

116	Palabala	$1,775 00	
117	Banza Manteke	6,310 00	
118	Matadi	4,630 00	
119	Lukunga	6,232 00	
120	Mukimvika	2,515 00	
121	Tshumbiri	5,891 39	
122	Sona Bata	5,351 00	
123	Ikoko	6,895 66	
124	Vanga	2,675 00	
125	Kimpesi	6,975 00	
	Undesignated	9,936 44	
	Donations Received and Used on the Field	1,222 67	
	Total Appropriations for Congo		$60,409 16

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS MISSION

125	Iloilo	$39,082 76	
126	Bacolod	7,408 69	
127	Capiz	13,610 30	
	Donations Received and Used on the Field	775 55	
	Total Appropriations for the Philippine Islands		$60,877 30

THE EUROPEAN MISSIONS

	France	$10,926 11	
	Germany	4,521 00	
	Sweden	1,240 00	
	Spain	934 53	
	Denmark	885 00	
	Russia	1,274 00	
	Norway	1,666 00	
	Finland	1,287 00	
	Belgium	1,675 91	
	Total Appropriations for Europe	$24,409 55	
	Homes for Missionaries' Children	†15,341 74	
	Judson Home	3,090 91	
	Missions, Hand Books and Other Literature Sent to Missionaries	817 87	
	Judson Tours	506 20	
	Secretary's Visit to Europe and Return	233 06	
	Total Foreign Field Appropriations	*$1,125,180 66	

*The above statement of foreign field appropriations includes appropriations on account of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society amounting to $258,263 44

† Includes $5,000 shown in Schedule I Outgo, under New Buildings.

SCHEDULE IV

DETAILS OF HOME EXPENDITURES

(1) FOREIGN DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION

Alterations and repairs	54 46	
Cables	304 47	
Fall conference with outgoing missionaries	566 98	
Medical examinations	224 70	
Miscellaneous	2 50	
Office equipment	70 00	
Office supplies	451 57	
Postage	260 20	
Proportion of General Expenses	6,232 98	
Salaries and wages	4,889 76	
Salaries of Foreign Secretaries	8,000 00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Telegrams	46 97	
Travel of candidates to meet the Board	237 66	
Travel of missionaries to meet the Board	433 52	
Travel of officers and others	731 84	
		$24,037 70

(2) HOME DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION

[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Office equipment	102 45	
Other library expenses	17 07	
Postage	600 23	
Proportion of General Home Department Expenses	2,707 3[illegible]	
Proportion of General Expenses	6,670 92	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	$10,222 10

(3) PROMOTION OF INTEREST AND BENEFICENCE

[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	$57,903 37

(4) TREASURY DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION

[illegible]	[illegible]	
Bank collections	1 [illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Legal expense	6 [illegible]	
London agency	[illegible]	
Miscellaneous	[illegible]	
Office equipment	[illegible]	
Office supplies and expenses	[illegible]	
Over and short account	[illegible]	
Postage	[illegible]	
Proportion of General Expenses	6,[illegible]	
Safe deposit box	[illegible]	
Salary of Treasurer	4,[illegible]	
Salary of Vice-treasurer	2,[illegible]	
Salaries and wages	3,[illegible]	
Shipping Department salaries and expenses	2,[illegible]	
Telegrams	26 [illegible]	
Treasury bonds	125 [illegible]	
Travel of officers and others	614 17	
	$23,[illegible]	
Less discounts	17[illegible]	$23,436 65

Details of General Expenses

Alterations and repairs	$20 32
Travel of Board of Managers	1,740 04
Electric light	262 77
Foreign Missions Conference of North America	244 33
General Secretary:	
Cable and telegrams	19 78
Miscellaneous	3 00
Office supplies	47 69
Postage	70 07
Salary	5,000 00
Travel	823 26
Insurance	64 13
Legal expense	62 21
Messenger	936 00
Miscellaneous	13 45
Office equipment	34 00
Office supplies	307 25
Postage	61 21
Post office box	24 00
Rent	7,530 07
Salaries	1,051 51
Telephone and operator	1,087 94
	$19,403 03

Apportioned as follows:

To Foreign Department Administration	$6,232 98
To Home Department Administration	6,670 92
To Treasury Department Administration	6,499 13

Details of General Home Department Expenses

Alterations and repairs	$18 77
Office supplies and expenses	374 53
Office salaries and wages	5,021 42
	$5,414 72

Apportioned as follows:

To Promotion of Interest and Beneficence	2,707 36
To Home Department Administration	2,707 36

Details of Literature Department Expenses

Advertising	$20 00	
Alterations and repairs	2 00	
Cuts not classified	11 00	
Leaflets and books	5,931 77	
Maps and charts	26 35	
Office equipment	20 00	
Office supplies	190 84	
Photographs	65 25	
Postage and express	640 82	
Salaries and wages	1,770 11	
Stereopticon supplies	143 63	
	$8,821 77	
Less cash credits	5,429 52	
		$3,392 25
Annual Report		1,794 04
Share of deficit on *Missions*		4,083 00
		$9,269 29
		$125,549 82

SCHEDULE V

DETAILS OF INVESTED FUNDS AND ANNUITY BONDS AND INCOME

Permanent and Temporary Funds and Annuity Bonds in General Investments

	April 1, 1914	Increased during year	Decreased during year
	$1,497 99		
	50	$32 47	
	53		
	00		50 00
			19,047 50
			5,325 10
			671 77
			15,804 22
			200 00
		2,043 00	305 16

† Transferred from special investments.
‡ Transferred to special investments.

	April 1, 1914	Increased during year	Decreased during year
Gale, Susan H.	$1,426 89		
Gates, Ruth L.		$55 00	
Glover, Henry R.	5,000 00		
Goodrich Scholarship	100 00		
Guth, W. C., Memorial	125 00		
Ham, William	89 55		
Hawkes, A. G.	500 00		
Horton, Ruth E., Memorial	200 00	50 00	
Hoyt, Joseph B.	24,523 00		
Insein Seminary	4,191 50		
James, William	800 00		
Jenkins, Horace, East China Mission Theological School	4,000 00		
John, Frank	500 00		
Johnson, Susannah	400 00		
Jones, B. E.	500 00		
Jones, John J.	50,000 00		
Judson Scholarship	538 75		
Karen School Book	7,035 40		
Karen Seminary Endowment	2,000 00		
Kelly Scholarship	300 00		
Kimball, Edmund	21,000 00		
Latourette, E. S.	29 00		
Lees, W. B.	475 00		
Legacy, Y.	1,610 30		
Leonard, Frank J.		4,995 00	
Lester, Sarah Edson, Foreign Mission	1,000 00		
Lewis, Mary J.	228 35		
Little, Geo. W.	5,000 00		
Logan, John	100 00		
Mah Hnin, E.	1,780 29		
Mendenhall, Thos. G.	1,932 33		
Merrick, Austin	33,448 98		
Merrill, S. Emma	522 17		
Mills, Thomas L.	150 00		
Missionaries' Home		10 00	
Moulton, Greenleaf Memorial	500 00		
Munger, Isadore G., Literature Fund		1,000 00	
Nason, James	7,096 11		
Native Preachers	2,369 38		
Nelson, Olof		200 00	
Norcross, Stephen W.	500 00		
Nowland, Lucy A.	11 42		
Ongole College Endowment	48,104 00		
Owen, William B.	12,000 17		
Parker, Eveline B.	1,455 63		
Parks ,Louisa M.	1,000 00		
Pease, William A.	358 70		
Permanent Fund	89,310 95	8 00	
Pevear, Henry A.		*12,500 00	
Pillsbury, George A.	5,000 00		
Porter, Benjamin	1,000 00		
Price, J. D., Scholarship	538 75		
Putnam, B., Memorial	2,450 00		
Quincy, Robert	90 50		
Ramapatnam Seminary	26,266 59		
Rangoon Baptist College Endowment	1,219 15		
Rangoon College	1,000 00		
Reed, C. Howard, Memorial	400 00		
Renfew, Jefferson	1,000 00		
Roberts, Elizabeth	4,000 00		
Robinson, Jane E.	100 00		
Rockwell, Rufus	230 90		
Rogers, Alexander W.	6,000 00		
Rowland, Prussia	263 95		
Ruth, Mordecai T.	5,242 68		
Sawtelle, Elizabeth S.	200 00		
Shady Dell	10,850 00		
Sheldon	1,000 00		
Sheldon, Chauncy	250 00		
Sherman, George J.	1,000 00		
Skofield, Sarah A.		500 00	
Smith, Samuel F.	2,000 00		
Swaim, Mary A. Noble	9,000 00		

* Transferred from annuity bonds.

		Increased	Decreased
		*$1,000 00	
	$64,692 15		$65 16
			$1,043 26
			1,000 00
	22,058 13		24 50
($16,301 20)	($22,058 13)		($2,067 76)
Annuity bonds	$503,060 70	$87,405 00 (New)	
		†645 00	
			‡$25,064 74
			§ 13,500 00
			6,560 00
		($88,050 00)	($45,364 74)
	$1,187,648 17	$175,350 28	$48,127 66

		March 31, 1915	Income at 4.84%	
Permanent funds		$732,283 26	$35,084 96	
Temporary funds		36,241 57		
Annuity bonds	$546,345 96			
Less deferred charges	4,262 00	542,083 96	25,340 70	
		$1,310,608 79	$60,425 66	(Income)
Gain and loss on investments		848 33		
Total funds and annuity bonds in general investments		$1,311,457 12		

Permanent and Temporary Funds and Annuity Bonds in Special Investments

	April 1, 1914	Increased during year	Decreased during year
	$11,247 59	$7,800 00	§$19,047 59
	1,000 00		
	1,000 00		
	2,000 00		
	5,000 00		
	44,333 33		
	5,000 00		1,000 00
	5,000 00		

* Transferred from annuity bonds.
† Transferred from special investments.
‡ Invested in annuity bonds.
§ Temporary funds.
¶ Transferred to general investment.

	April 1, 1914	Increased during year	Decreased during year
Ward Trust	$4,000 00		
Joseph A. Warne (Part)	1,050 00		
Free Baptist (Part)	53,106 67	*$95 16	
	$132,737 59	$7,896 16	$20,047 59
Temporary funds		38,800 00	
Annuity bonds	$21,280 00	118,822 50	955 00
			†645 00
	$154,017 59	$165,518 66	$21,647 59

	March 31, 1915	Income	
Permanent funds	$120,586 16	5,853 59	
Temporary funds	38,800 00	2,333 00	
Annuity bonds	138,502 50	4,183 66	
Total funds and annuity bonds in special investments	$297,888 66	$12,370 25	(Income)
Income as shown above			
Funds and bonds in general and special investments			Total
Permanent funds	35,084 96	$5,853 59	
Temporary funds		2,333 00	
Annuity bonds	25,340 70	4,183 66	
	$60,425 66	$12,370 25	$72,795 91
Special credits to income per revenue statement			552 87
			$73,348 78
Less special charges against income per revenue statement			4,987 82
Total income of funds and annuity bonds			$68,360 96

Increases in	Permanent Funds	Annuity Bonds	
In general investments	$64,692 15	$88,005 00	
In special investments	7,896 16	118,822 50	
	$72,588 31	$206,827 50	
Less transfers from special to general investments or vice versa	19,142 75	645 00	
	$53,445 56	$206,182 50	
		53,445 56	
Total		$259,628 06	
Less transfers from annuity bonds to permanent funds previously reported		13,500 00	
Total new and increased permanent funds and annuity bonds		$246,128 06	

*Transferred from general investments.
†Transferred to general investments.

SCHEDULE VI

SPECIAL FUNDS OR RECEIPTS NOT REPORTED IN REVENUE ACCOUNT

China Famine Fund	$40 00
Japan Famine Fund	51 60
First Russian Tabernacle, St. Petersburg	87 60
Telugu Orphan Fund	140 00
	$319 20

SCHEDULE VII
GENERAL INVESTMENTS

RAILROAD BONDS

Par Value					Book Value
	Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R.R., E. Okla., Div.				$2,023.09
	Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	1st			13,000.00
	Baltimore & Ohio R.R. Equip. Trust of 1913				20,000.00
	Big Sandy Railroad	1st			19,167.58
	[illegible]on & Albany R.R. Imp. of 1913				19,562.50
	[illegible]ton & Maine R.R.				19,166.70
	[illegible]ntral Branch Ry. Co.	First			
	[illegible]ntral Indiana Ry. Co.	First			
	[illegible]icago, Burlington & Quincy R.R.				
	[illegible] Burlington & Quincy R.R.				
	Chicago, Indiana & South. R.R.				19,296.67
	Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.				784.02
	Chicago & Eastern Illinois R.R.	First			3,000.00
	Chicago & Western Indiana R.R. Cons.		4's	July	9,026.61
	Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton R.R. Gen.		4½'s	July	4,512.50
	Cincinnati, Indianapolis & West. Ry. First Ref.		4's	Jan.	
	Prior Lien		4's	June	
			4's	Nov.	
					10,327.40
					4,748.37
					10,070.41
					8,465.02
					9,853.80
	Debentures		4's	May	19,428.12
	Norfolk & Western R.R. Div. 1st Lien		4's	July	9,981.28
	Northern Pacific & Great North. R.R., Joint C. B. & Q. Col.				
	Pennsylvania Co. Loan of 1906				
	Pennsylvania Gen. Freight Equip. Trust				
	Philadelphia Co. Convertible Debentures				
	Southern Ry. Co., St. Louis Div.	1st			
	Washington Terminal Co.	1st			
					$487,122.39

TRACTION BONDS

$4	[illegible]ker St. & Fulton Ferry R.R.	1st	4's	Jan. 1, 1950	$3,723.05
2	[illegible]ton Elevated Railway Co.		4's	May 1, 1935	25,000.00
[illegible]	[illegible]cago Rys. Co.	1st	5's	Feb. 1, 1927	4,935.84
5	[illegible]ville, Champaign & Decatur Ry. & Light Co., Cons. & Ref. Coll. Trust		5's	March 1, 1938	4,501.81
[illegible]	Galveston-Houston Electric Railway	1st	5's	Oct. 1, 1954	9,700.19
[illegible]	Interborough Rapid Transit 1st & Ref.		5's	Jan. 1, 1966	9,814.92
[illegible]	Kansas City, Clay County & St. Joseph Ry. Co.	1st	5's	Sept. 1, 1941	4,602.51
5,000	Middlesex & Boston Street Railway Co. 1st & Ref.		4½'s	Jan. 1, 1932	4,925.47
[illegible]	New York Railways Co.		4's	Jan. [illegible]	4,905.00
5,000	Northern Texas Electric [illegible]		5's	Jan. [illegible]	4,807.76

Par Value					Book Value
$10,000	Portland Ore. Railway Light & Power Co. 1st Ref.	5's	Feb.	1, 1942	$9,608.78
5,000	Springfield & Northeastern Traction Co. 1st	5's	Dec.	1, 1936	5,074.40
5,000	Tri-City Railway Co., Davenport, Iowa 1st	5's	Sept.	1, 1922	5,000.00
19,000	Washington Railway & Electric Co. Con.	4's	Dec.	1, 1951	16,357.20
10,000	West End Street Railway	5's	March	1, 1944	10,630.40
					$123,587.33

ELECTRIC, GAS AND WATER BONDS

$5,000	Adirondack Electric Power Corp. 1st	5's	Jan.	1, 1962	$4,626.16
10,000	Blackstone Valley Gas & Electric Co., 1st and Gen'l	5's	Jan.	1, 1939	10,000.00
5,000	Citizens Gas. Co. of Indianapolis, 1st & Ref.	5's	July	1, 1942	4,750.76
15,000	Cleveland Electric Ill. Co. 1st	5's	April	1, 1939	15,208.44
5,000	Consumers Power Co. 1st Lien and Ref.	5's	Jan.	1, 1936	4,580.05
15,000	Detroit Edison Co. 1st	5's	Jan.	1, 1933	15,228.73
5,000	Ft. Worth Power & Light Co. 1st	5's	Aug.	1, 1931	4,802.02
2,000	Gage County Gas Light & Power Co. 1st Mort.	6's	June	1, 1929	1,863.27
6,500	Hutchinson Water Light & Power Co. 1st	4's	Jan.	1, 1928	3,100.00
5,000	Jacksonville Electric Co. 1st	5's	May	1, 1927	5,000.00
10,000	Massachusetts Gas Companies	4½'s	Jan.	1, 1929	9,616.37
15,000	Minneapolis General Electric Co.	5's	Dec.	1, 1934	15,112.33
4,000	Newark Gas Co. 1st	6's	April	1, 1944	4,000.00
25,000	Seattle Electric Co. 1st	5's	Feb.	1, 1930	26,270.62
5,000	Seattle Electric Co.	5's	March	1, 1939	4,955.47
2,000	Seattle Electric Co. Cons. & Ref.	5's	Aug.	1, 1929	1,908.96
10,000	Southern Power Co. 1st	5's	March	1, 1930	10,000.00
1,000	Standard Gas Light Co. of N. Y. City 1st	5's	May	1, 1930	1,000.00
					$142,023.18

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH BONDS

$26,000.00	Am. Tel. & Tel. Co. Coll. Trust	4's	July	1, 1929	$25,586.95
15,000.00	Bell Telephone Co. of Canada Lim. Debenture	5's	April	1, 1925	14,934.60
10,000.00	Cumberland Tel. & Tel. Co. 1st Gen.	5's	Jan.	1, 1937	10,038.46
10,000.00	New England Tel. & Tel. Co. Debentures	5's	Oct.	1, 1932	10,044.88
5,000.00	New York Telephone 1st & Gen'l	4½'s	Nov.	1, 1939	4,800.00
5,000.00	Southern Bell Tel. & Tel. Co. 1st	5's	Jan.	1, 1941	4,951.87
10,000.00	Western Electric Co. 1st	5's	Dec.	31, 1922	10,071.42
10,000.00	Western Tel. & Tel. Co. Coll. Trust	5's	Jan.	1, 1932	10,327.46
5,000.00	Western Union Telegraph Co. Funding & Real Est.	4½'s	May	1, 1950	5,144.89
					$95,900.53

MUNICIPAL, STATE AND DISTRICT BONDS

$5,000.00	City of Albany Water Bond Reg.	4½'s	Nov.	1, 1929	$5,066.36
10,000.00	City of Cleveland	4½'s	Dec.	1, 1935	10,272.00
10,000.00	City of Los Angeles, Harbor Imp.	4½'s	May	1, 1951	10,177.55
10,000.00	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Charles River Basin Loan	3½'s	Jan.	1, 1945	9,062.98
7,400.00	Newbert Protective District Orange Co., Calif.	6's	Jan.	1, 1921	7,400.00
5,000.00	State of Maryland, The State Roads Loan of 1914	4's	Feb.	1, 1929	4,975.15
10,000.00	State of NewYork, Erie, Oswego & Champlain, Loan for Canal Improvement	4½'s	Jan.	1, 1964	10,971.09
					$57,925.13

SUNDRY BONDS

$4,000.00	Am. Writing Paper Co., First Sinking	5's	July	1, 1919	$3,038.48
1,000.00	Computing-Tabulating Recording Co.	6's	July	1, 1941	756.93
4,000.00	Federal Wharf & Storage Co. First	5's	Feb.	1, 1912	4,000.00
15,000.00	Illinois Steel Co. Debentures	4½'s	April	1, 1940	13,809.00
3,000.00	Iowa Loan & Trust Co. Debentures, Series 105	5's	April	1, 1919	3,000.00
1,000.00	Iowa Loan & Trust Co. Debenture, Series 106	4½'s	July	1, 1919	1,000.00
24,000.00	Iowa Loan & Trust Co. Debentures, Series 107	4½'s	Oc	1, 1919	24,000.00
10,500.00	Iowa Loan & Trust Co. Debenture, Series 108	4½'s	Jan.	1, 1920	10,500.00

Par Value					Book Value
$1,000.00	Iowa Loan & Trust Co. Debenture, Series 109	5's	Jan.	1, 1921	$911.55
3,000.00	Iowa Loan & Trust Co. Debenture, Series 114	5's	July	1, 1922	3,000.00
500.00	Kesner Building, 1st	5's	Jan.	1, 1919	484.39
					$64,500.35

NOTES: SECURED BY MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE PURCHASE MONEY BONDS AND TRUST DEED

Isaac Abrahams	
[illegible]d W. Batchelder and Bessie C. Batchelder	10,000.00
F. Winthrop Batchelder, Trustee	5,000.00
F. S. Bennett and wife	2,500.00
George J. Bicknell	3,858.75
[illegible]	
[illegible] W. Coburn	1,450.00
[illegible] W. Cox	2,500.00
[illegible]. B. Dutton and wife	1,500.00
[illegible]	2,500.00
[illegible]	2,800.00
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible] and W. K. McFarland	2,500.00
[illegible]. Merrill	1,400.00
[illegible]. L. Milliken and Stella Milliken	
H. C. Milliken and Mary Milliken	[illegible]
[illegible] & Smith	15,000.00
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible]	
[illegible] and Anna M. Van Winkle	800.00
[illegible] and Joseph Feldman	50,000.00
[illegible] M. [illegible] and Emma M. Watt	2,500.00
[illegible] Wyatt and Fannie E. Wyatt	2,500.00
[illegible] E. Zirkle and Luella A. B. Zirkle	2,600.00

STOCKS

63	shares	American Writing Paper Co., Common	$63.00
56	"	" " " " Preferred	56.00
101	"	Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry., Preferred	7,904.10
1		City Real Estate Trustees, Chicago, $1000	800.00
41	"	[illegible]	[illegible]
14	"	[illegible] Boston	[illegible]
[illegible]	"	The [illegible] Company	[illegible]
12	"	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	"	[illegible]	[illegible]
2	"	N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R.	[illegible]
10	"	[illegible]	[illegible]
17	"	Pennsylvania R.R.	[illegible]
100	"	[illegible]	[illegible]
2	"	[illegible]	[illegible]
120	"	[illegible]	[illegible]
15	"	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	"	[illegible]	10,500.00
150	"	[illegible] & Hinchman Sons, Preferred	1,387.50
			$101,213.95

DEPOSITS IN SAVINGS BANK

Shelburne Falls Savings Bank	$500.00

NOTES

$200 Southern Railway Company, Nov. 1, 1919	$156.00

REAL ESTATE

Long Beach, Cal.	$16,000.00
Saratoga Springs, New York	5,000.00
Washington, D. C.	12,000.00
	$33,000.00

SUMMARY OF GENERAL INVESTMENTS

Bonds:		
Railroad	$487,122.39	
Traction	123,587.33	
Electric Gas and Water	142,023.18	
Telephone and Telegraph	95,900.53	
Municipal State and District	57,925.13	
Sundry	64,500.35	$971,058.91
Notes secured by real estate mortgages and trust deeds		$205,298.75
Stocks		101,213.95
Savings bank deposit		500.00
Note		156.00
Real Estate		33,000.00
Cash (uninvested funds)		229.51
		$1,311,457.12

SCHEDULE VIII
GENERAL SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

	1913–1914		1914–1915	
Outside Donations:				
Annuity bonds matured	$35,600 96		$25,004 74	
Income from investment of annuity bonds	24,659 81		29,524 36	
	$60,260 77		$54,529 10	
Less payments to annuitants	28,286 89	$31,973 88	29,460 14	$25,068 96
Income from investments of permanent and temporary funds	$46,020 36		$43,271 55	
Special credits to income			552 87	
			$43,824 42	
Less special charges to income	2,750 57	43,269 79	4,987 82	38,836 60
[illegible]		75,722 10		74,324 39
[illegible] fund		3,500 00		
[illegible]				9,708 44
[illegible] property [illegible]				806 10
[illegible] sources, rent on field, etc.		2,098 42		[illegible]
		$160,464 19		$158,078 68
[illegible]				
[illegible]		$282,261 85		$277,573 00
[illegible] people's societies, Sunday schools [illegible] $3,500.00 in 1913–1914 and $9,010.00 in 1914–1915 from German Baptist churches)		383,173 31		417,119 84
		($665,435 16)		($694,693 44)
[illegible]				
[illegible]	$23,113 33		$35,518 49	
For general work	7,235 18		7,045 49	
For relief work			3,922 02	
	$30,348 51		$46,486 00	
Specifics received on the field (contra)	36,498 48	66,846 99	28,270 66	74,756 66
Total Budget Income		$892,746 34		$927,528 78
[illegible]ot contributions				182,845 87
				$1,110,374 65
Woman's Baptist Foreign Mission Society	$138,396 58			
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
		$1,110,793 90		$1,364,268 28
New permanent funds and annuity bonds		58,087 03		246,128 06
		$1,168,880 93		$1,610,396 34

SCHEDULE IX
GENERAL SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

	1913–1914	1914–1915
Foreign Field Appropriations:		
[illegible]	$296,770 20	$285,551 91
[illegible]	65,258 06	81,793 99
[illegible]	41,508 69	45,619 50
[illegible]	205,700 82	225,786 10
Care of property — rent, repairs, etc.	42,339 88	32,574 24
Work and workers in Europe	19,598 00	19,548 00
Retired missionaries and widows	15,150 00	17,525 67
New appointees' salaries, outfits, passages, etc.	[illegible]	25,318 26
New buildings, additions, land, etc.	[illegible]	28,493 31
Property reserve		3,896 10
Homes for missionaries and missionaries' children	[illegible]	13,432 65
Judson Tours		[illegible]06 20
Missions, handbooks and other literature [illegible] missionaries	[illegible]	[illegible]17 87
Visit of secretary to field	[illegible]	233 06
Expenses of conferees	[illegible]	
Representative to Stockholm	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	$781,096 86

Less savings in exchange and cancellations in previous budgets	$1,378 80	$30,960 00	
	$764,977 02	$750,136 86	
Specifics received in America	30,410 51	46,486 00	
Specifics received on the field	36,498 48	831,886 01 28,270 66	$824,893 52
Home Expenditures:			
Foreign Department Administration	$28,549 79	$24,987 70	
Home Department:			
Administration	25,747 80	19,222 10	
Promotion of Interest and Beneficence	56,898 07	57,903 37	
Treasury Department Administration		23,436 65	
	$111,195 66	$125,549 82	
Share of expenses of Baptist Laymen's Missionary Movement	1,835 41		
Share of expenses of General Apportionment Committee	2,190 00		
Share of salary and expense Special Joint Secretary	2,532 58	2,493 99	
Expenses to State Conventions	67 55		
General Secretary	4,724 47		
Interest	1,318 13	1,630 75	
Judson Centennial		6,041 11	
Expenses incurred in collecting legacies		1,300 00	
Maps		1,441 89	
Northern Baptist Convention One Per Cent. Fund (including in 1914–1915 General Apportionment Committee	6,654 35	4,941 17	
Preparation of History of Society		1,434 80	
United Missionary Campaign	2,032 39	312 89	
	$132,550 54	$145,146 42	
Less cancellations in previous budgets	7,179 11	125,371 43 9,217 80	135,926 82
Total Budget Outgo		$957,257 44	$960,822 14
Deficit April 1, 1914			182,713 58
			$1,143,535 72
Woman's Societies		218,047 56	253,893 63
		$1,175,305 00	$1,397,429 35
Decrease in permanent funds and annuity bonds		42,335 31	33,819 74
		$1,217,640 31	$1,431,249 09

SCHEDULE X

SUMMARY OF REVENUE STATEMENT AND OTHER RECEIPTS FOR FISCAL YEAR, 1914-15

For purposes of comparison with similar statements by other organizations.

From	1 2 For Budget Purposes: General	Specific	3 For Debt	4 For Permanent Endowment	5 For Annuity Bonds	6 Other Items	7 Grand Totals
(a) Churches, S.S. Y.P.S., etc.	$417119.84	*$28270.66 6614.45	†$182845.87	....	....	*$319.20	*$211435.73 423734.29
(b) Individuals ..	277573.60	39871.55	.....	$9206.47	$203432.50	.....	530084.12
(c) Legacies	74324.39	.....	.....	30739.09	2750.00	.....	107813.48
(d) Annuity bond account ...	25068.96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25068.96
(e) Income from permanent funds	38836.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38836.60
(f) All other sources ...	19848.73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19848.73
Totals	$852772.12	$74756.66	*$182845.87	$39945.56	$206182.50	‡$319.20	$1356821.91

* Not classified from a and b. † See Debt Report. ‡ Included here but not in Schedule VIII.

SCHEDULE XI

AVERAGE ANNUAL GIFT PER MEMBER

Frequent inquiry is made as to the average annual gift for foreign missions by our people. While such statistics are interesting, they are in a sense misleading, and certainly do not do justice [illegible] is also a difference of opinion as to what contributions should form the basis for this calculation.

THE AVERAGE GIFT PER MEMBER IS FOUND TO BE $0.70

This is based on an estimated membership in the northern and one half of the border states of 1,432,750 in 11,732 churches, as given in the American Baptist Year Book for 1914, Page 114, and receipts of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society for 1914–1915 as follows:

Amounts received from individuals, churches, Sunday schools and young people's societies, not including debt contributions	$741,179 44
One half specific gifts received on field	14,135 33
From Woman's Society	253,893 63
	$1,009,208 40
The above does not include the following items:	
Debt contributions	$182,845 87
Legacies	74,324 39
One half specific gifts received on field	14,135 33
Income of permanent funds	38,836 60
Annuity bonds account	25,068 96
Other sources	19,848 73
	($355,059 88)
	$1,364,268 28

If the amounts contributed by the Woman's Society are excluded, the average gift would be $0.53.

If, together with the contributions of the Woman's Society, a few large gifts be also excluded, the average gift would be $0.37.

SCHEDULE XII

RECEIPTS BY DISTRICTS AND STATES

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

REV. P. H. J. LERRIGO, M.D., Joint District Secretary.

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations									
Maine	$9160.80	$527.86	$152.96	$2930.94	$12772.56	$2768.75	$1200.00	$1555.00	$18296.3
New Hampshire	6046.76	278.98	330.52	327.50	6983.76	2270.00	.....	.....	9253.7
Vermont	3466.93	69.18	94.97	845.05	4476.13	10.10	100.00	.....	4586.2
Massachusetts	45748.48	1567.20	669.48	5906.57	53891.73	26271.84	106042.50	1200.00	187406.0
Rhode Island	7006.27	420.00	326.52	1924.75	9677.54	221.85	3600.00	.....	13499.3
Connecticut	8644.13	417.09	28.00	2210.08	11299.30	2105.44	.....	15804.22	29208.9
Specific Don's									
Maine	6.00	.....	.....	160.00	166.00	.....	.....	.....	166.0
New Hampshire	210.00	.....	.....	105.00	315.00	.....	.....	.....	315.0
Vermont	13.00	.....	.....	.....	13.00	.....	.....	.....	13.0
Massachusetts	209.00	25.00	.....	5770.00	6004.00	.....	.....	.....	6004.0
Rhode Island	.....	.....	.....	450.00	450.00	.....	.....	.....	450.0
Connecticut	.....	.....	3.00	1125.00	1128.00	.....	.....	.....	1128.0
Totals, 1914–1915	$80511.37	$3305.31	$1605.45	$21754.89	$107177.02	$33647.98	$110942.50	$18559.22	$270326.7
Totals, 1913–1914	$75654.75	$2565.65	$2048.69	$14636.20	$*94905.29	$55604.34	.....	.....	.....
Increase	$4856.62	$739.66	.....	$7118.69	$12271.73	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	.....	$443.24	.....	.....	$21956.36	.....	.....	.....

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	931	397	1328
1913–1914	969	364	1333
Increase	...	33	...
Decrease	38	...	5

*Includes the following specific donations: Maine, $398.50; Vermont, $20.50; Massachusetts, $1065.95; Rhode Island $17.00. For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

NEW YORK DISTRICT

REV. A. L. SNELL, District Secretary.

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations									
New Jersey	$14022.65	$1401.40	$65.89	$945.00	$16434.94	$250.00	$30200.00	.....	$46884.9
New York	72553.39	2599.19	1395.97	208392.57	284941.12	11956.48	19540.00	$8590.77	325028.3
Specific Don's									
New Jersey	.....	.....	50.00	550.37	600 37	.....	.....	.....	600.3
New York	428.66	81.09	48.50	16724.59	17282.84	.....	.....	.....	17282.8
Totals, 1914–1915	$87004.70	$4081.68	$1560.36	$226612.53	$319259.27	$12206.48	$49740.00	$8590.77	$389796.5
Totals, 1913–1914	$77833.00	$3880.53	$1599.50	$222803.65	*306116.68	$1944.97	.....	.....	.....
Increase	$9171.70	$201.15	.....	$3808.88	$13142.59	$10261.51	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	.....	$39.14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	792	293	1085
1913–1914	747	203	950
Increase	45	90	135
Decrease	...	...	...

*Includes the following specific donations: New York, $9855.42; New Jersey, $90. For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt report.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT

FRANK S. DOBBINS, District Secretary.

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Y. P. [illegible]	Individuals	Total [illegible]	Legacies	Annuity [illegible]	Permanent [illegible]	Grand [illegible]
Donations [illegible]	[illegible]			$194.00	$2492.79				$2492.79
[illegible]	912.50				912.50		$750.00		1662.50
[illegible]	[illegible]	$226.74	$52.50	169.00	6525.12	$100.00	4000.00	$5325.10	15950.22
[illegible]	[illegible]	2058.31	524.98	26487.78	58266.31	5041.25	1000.00		64307.56
[illegible]	[illegible]			201.65	305.74	29.16			334.90
Specific Donations [illegible]									
[illegible]		50.00		404.35	454.38				454.38
[illegible] ia....	260.00	18.03		2041.45	2319.48				2319.48
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			95.00				95.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	$577.48	$20498.26	$71371.32	$5170.41	$5750.00	$5325.10	$87616.83
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	$579.54	$36722.14	*$73817.56	$1103.35			
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				[illegible]			
[illegible]			$2.06	$7223.88	$2446.24				

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	22	...	
[illegible]	...	[illegible]	...

*Includes the following specific donations: Pennsylvania, $665; Delaware, $20; New Jersey, $50; States South, $1.00.
For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

KANAWHA DISTRICT

[illegible]IN S. STUMP, D.D., Joint District Secretary.

States	Clerisies	Sunday [illegible]	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations [illegible] est Virginia.	[illegible]	[illegible]	$159.91	$331.80	$8237.76				$8237.76
Specific Donations [illegible] est Virginia.	$7.5[illegible]			136.85	174.35				174.35
[illegible] tals, 1914-1915	$7575.[illegible]	$2[illegible].3[illegible]	$159.91	$468.65	$8412.11				$8412.11
[illegible] otals, 1913-1914	$[illegible]4.26	$[illegible]1.0[illegible]	$24.91	$381.64	*$7233.14	$40.00			
[illegible] crease	$[illegible].29		$135.00	$87.01	$1178.97				
[illegible] crease		$13.33				$40.00			

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
[illegible] 14-1915	[illegible]	282	668
[illegible] 13-1914	[illegible]	281	643
[illegible] crease	[illegible]	1	25
[illegible] crease		...	...

* Includes the following specific donation $[illegible].
For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

OHIO AND INDIANA DISTRICT

REV. CHARLES E. STANTON, Joint District Secretary.

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations									
Indiana	$10214.79	$290.48	$80.60	$1052.08	$11637.95	$522.50	$1000.00	.....	$13160.4
Ohio	23003.53	1311.74	264.16	4558.39	29137.82	50.00	3500.00	.....	32687.3
Specific Donations									
Ohio	.....	128.75	9.00	163.00	300.75	.....	.....	.....	300.7
Totals, 1914–1915	$33218.32	$1730.97	$353.76	$5773.47	$41076.52	$572.50	$4500.00	.....	$46149.0
Totals, 1913–1914	$32894.95	$1747.80	$870.43	$4154.30	*$39667.48	$5529.80	.....	.....	.....
Increase	$323.37	.....	.....	$1619.17	$1409.04	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	$16.83	$516.67	.....	.....	$4957.30	.....	.....	.....

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	666	344	1010
1913–1914	646	355	1001
Increase	20	...	9
Decrease	...	11	....

* Includes the following specific donations: Indiana, $52.50; Ohio, $429.50.
For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

ILLINOIS DISTRICT

J. Y. AITCHISON, D.D. Joint District Secretary.

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations									
Illinois	$25922.53	$1137.98	$261.35	$5618.75	$32940.61	$6527.29	$7000.00	$4995.00	$51462.9
Specific Donations									
Illinois	60.97	91.86	.....	172.00	324.83	.....	.....	.....	324.8
Totals, 1914–1915	$25983.50	$1229.84	$261.35	$5790.75	$33265.44	$6527.29	$7000.00	$4995.00	$51787.7
Totals, 1913–1914	$25061.53	$855.93	$281.40	$6497.59	$32696.45	$5795.00	.....	.....	.....
Increase	$921.97	$373.91	.....	.....	$568.99	$732.29	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	.....	$20.05	$706.84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	323	164	487
1913–1914	291	186	477
Increase	32	...	10
Decrease	...	22	...

* Includes the following specific donations: Illinois, $2669.50.
For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

MINNESOTA, NORTH DAKOTA AND SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT

[illegible] PETERSON, D.D. Joint District Secretary.

[illegible]	[illegible]	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	840.43	8.00	.....	30.00	878.43	.....	.....	.....	878.43
[illegible]	2368.15	153.66	64.00	70.00	2655.81	.....	.....	.....	2655.81
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00
[illegible]	61.90	60.80	.....	150.00	272.70	.....	.....	.....	272.70
[illegible] 1914–1915	$17180.99	$750.08	$1062.75	$8648.21	$27642.03	.....	$1925.00	.....	$29567.03
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				
[illegible]	$342.14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				
[illegible]									

[illegible]	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
[illegible]	233	160	393
[illegible]	253	123	376
[illegible]	...	37	17
[illegible]			

* [illegible] For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT

[illegible] W. CASSIDY, D.D. Joint District Secretary.

[illegible]	[illegible]	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
[illegible]									
[illegible]	$[illegible]	$162.84	$33.30	$251.60	$5001.49	.....	$1000.00	.....	$6001.49
[illegible]	[illegible]	280.03	153.53	1276.50	9775.83	$3701.27	1000.00	.....	14477.10
[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....	7.92	7.92	.....	.....	.....	7.92
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	9.50	2789.80	.....	.....	.....	2789.80
[illegible]									
[illegible]									
[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....	15.00	15.00	.....	.....	.....	15 00
[illegible]	[illegible]	10.50	.....	80.00	90.50	.....	.....	.....	90.50
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	50.00	.....	155.74	.....	.....	.....	155.74
[illegible] 1914–1915	$[illegible]	$[illegible]	$236.83	$1640.52	$17836.28	$3701.27	$2000.00	.....	$23537.55
[illegible] 1913–1914	$16820.70	$[illegible]	$332.41	$1424.50	*$18943.41	.....	.....	.....	.....
[illegible]	.....	$[illegible]		$[illegible]					
[illegible]	$[illegible]		$[illegible]						

[illegible]	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
[illegible] 1914–1915	[illegible]	412	1001
[illegible] 1913–1914	[illegible]	335	980
[illegible]	.	77	21
[illegible]	[illegible]		...

* Includes the following specific donations: Kansas, $170; Colorado, $1100.
For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

YELLOWSTONE DISTRICT

C. A. COOK, D.D. Joint District Secretary.

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations				*$800.00					
Idaho	$980.26	$58.77	$1.50	152.50	$393.03	.....	.....	.....	$393.03
Montana	569.67	28.20	12.50	46.00	656.37	.....	.....	.....	656.37
Washington, E.	1401.82	68.80	.....	85.90	1556.52	.....	.....	.....	1556.52
Wyoming	205.75	4.04	.....	25.00	234.79	.....	.....	.....	234.79
Specific Donations									
Idaho	6.92	.....	.....	800.00	806.92	.....	.....	.....	806.92
Montana	13.50	.....	.....	.....	13.50	.....	.....	.....	13.50
Washington, E.	13.00	32.69	.....	17.00	62.69	.....	.....	.....	62.69
Totals, 1914–1915	$3190.92	$192.50	$14.00	$326.40	$3723.82	.....	.....	.....	$3723.82
Totals, 1913–1914	$3651.60	$231.17	$41.25	$1185.30	†$5109.32	.....	.....	.....	.....
Increase	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	$460.68	$38.67	$27.25	$858.90	$1385.50	.....	.....	.....	.....

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
**1914–1915	136	70	206
1913–1914	151	68	219
Increase	...	2	...
Decrease	15	...	13

** Utah churches not counted this year.
* This amount reported last year — deducted and included in specifics below.
† Included the following specific donations: Montana, $10.
For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

PACIFIC COAST DISTRICT

REV. A. W. RIDER, Joint District Secretary.

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations									
Arizona	$575.45	$14.80	.....	$31.00	$621.25	.....	.....	.....	$621.25
California, No.	6767.49	299.89	$160.50	605.00	7832.88	$3000.00	$800.00	.....	11632.88
California, So.	16999.77	665.92	181.44	4579.60	22416.73	1052.70	11000.00	$200.00	34669.43
Nevada	185.28	.....	.....	.....	185.28	.....	.....	.....	185.28
Oregon	4081.21	189.07	63.75	538.20	4872.23	.....	1500.00	.....	6372.23
Utah	118.74	57.50	.....	.....	176.24	.....	.....	.....	176.24
Washington (W.)	4466.83	109.24	62.50	519.50	5158.07	.....	.....	.....	5158.07
Specific Donations									
California, No.	3.00	.....	.....	13.00	16.00	.....	.....	.....	16.00
California, So.	31.00	108.20	10.00	3043.00	3192.20	.....	.....	.....	3192.20
Oregon	.....	77.50	35.00	110.00	222.50	.....	.....	.....	222.50
Washington	35.38	70.00	.....	19.00	124.38	.....	.....	.....	124.38
Totals, 1914–1915	$33264.15	$1592.12	$513.19	$9448.30	$44817.76	$4052.70	$13300.00	$200.00	$62370.46
Totals, 1913–1914	$32516.38	$1053.30	$708.12	$15447.97	*$49725.77	$200.00	.....	.....	.....
Increase	$747.77	$538.82	.....	.....	.....	$3852.70	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	.....	$194.93	$5999.67	$4908.01	.....	.....	.....	.....

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	366	136	502
1913–1914	...	...	...
Increase	...	...	...
Decrease	...	...	...

* Includes the following specific donations: So. California, $12,304; Oregon, $50.00.
For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

IOWA (SPECIAL DISTRICT)

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
[illegible]	$11599.56	$507.97	$283.22	$748.08	$13138.83	$599.50	$3800.00	.....	$17538.33
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	26.00	26.00	.....	.....	.....	26.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	$3800.00	.....	$17564.33
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]			
[illegible]				[illegible]					

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	275	66	341
1913–1914	234	106	340
Increase	41		1
Decrease		40	

[illegible]

NEBRASKA (SPECIAL DISTRICT)

[illegible]

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations Nebraska	[illegible]	[illegible]	$140.07	$471.50	$6647.42	$442.50	.....	$200.00	$7289.92
Special Donations Nebraska	130.82	.....	.....	5.00	131.32	.....	.....	.....	131.32
Totals, 1914–1915	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	$476.50	$6778.74	$442.50	.....	$200.00	$7421.24
Totals, 1913–1914	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
Increase	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	$294.00	$653.62	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	[illegible]	49	191
1913–1914	140	51	191
Increase	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Decrease	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

* Includes the following specific donations $330. For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

WISCONSIN (SPECIAL DISTRICT)

Rev. D. W. HULBURT, Superintendent, H. R. MACMILLAN, Secretary.

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations Wisconsin	$5408.37	$118.37	$31.00	$526.02	$6083.76	$6862.96	$7000.00	.....	$19946.72
Specific Donations Wisconsin	.....	12.00	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00
Totals, 1914–1915	$5408.37	$130.37	$31.00	$526.02	$6095.76	$6862.96	$7000.00	.....	$19958.72
Totals, 1913–1914	$5315.17	$132.46	$58.75	$268.98	$5775.36	$1649.32	.....	.....	.....
Increase	$93.20	.....	.....	$257.04	$320.40	$5213.64	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	$2.09	$27.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	144	50	194
1913–1914	133	60	194
Increase	...	...	...
Decrease	...	...	...

For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

MICHIGAN (SPECIAL DISTRICT)

REV. E. M. LAKE, General Superintendent of Missions.

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	Permanent Funds	Grand Totals
Donations Michigan	$15970.41	$208.72	$160.93	$2658.63	$18998.69	$269.55	$225.00	.....	$19493.24
Specific Donations Michigan	76.54	.....	.....	159.66	236.20	.....	.....	.....	236.20
Totals, 1914–1915	$16046.95	$208.72	$160.93	$2818.29	$19234.89	$269.55	$225.00	.....	$19729.44
Totals, 1913–1914	$13300.69	$265.85	$92.23	$936.10	*$14594.87	$6391.00	.....	.....	.....
Increase	$2746.26	.....	$68.70	$1882.19	$4640.02	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	$57.13	.....	.....	.....	$6121.45	.....	.....	.....

Years	Contributing Churches	Non-Contributing Churches	Total Churches
1914–1915	...	...	...
1913–1914	...	...	...
Increase	...	...	...
Decrease	...	...	...

* Includes the following specific donations $123.64. For Joint Debt Receipts see Debt Report.

MISSOURI (SPECIAL DISTRICT)

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuity Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	$50.00	$6657.54	[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]									
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]								
[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]				
[illegible]				

* [illegible] the following specific donations of $30. For [illegible]

SCHEDULE XIII

RECEIPTS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS

NOTE. — Contributions received from Sunday schools are put into a common fund, which is divided equally between the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. The Sunday School Cooperating Committee represents the two societies in the adjustment of Sunday school receipts. As the fiscal year of the committee ended September 30, 1914, the figures here presented will not agree with those in the reports of the District Secretaries, who report for the year ending March 31, 1915.

It is believed that our Sunday schools contribute much larger sums than the totals below indicate. The contribution of a church often includes that of the Sunday school. It would greatly aid in making this report accurate if those who send contributions from churches would indicate what amounts are from the Sunday school.

	Year ending Sept. 30, 1910	Year ending Sept. 30, 1911	Year ending Sept. 30, 1912	Year ending Sept. 30, 1913	Year ending Sept. 30, 1914
Maine	$347 39	$372 21	$486 24	$722 72	$505 73
New Hampshire	212 72	334 05	504 20	562 75	328 71
Vermont	178 31	147 77	196 78	162 43	90 34
Massachusetts	2,713 70	2,949 43	2,983 07	3,077 86	2,418 52
Rhode Island	736 40	667 78	668 75	773 27	678 58
Connecticut	417 67	559 35	655 13	773 18	486 60
New York	4,331 25	5,182 06	4,737 88	5,111 08	3,919 69
New Jersey	2,820 62	2,201 55	2,479 97	2,529 49	2,541 06
Pennsylvania	1,692 84	2,325 01	2,230 97	2,736 55	2,308 90
Delaware	95 73	75 73	86 65	70 40	53 74
District of Columbia	248 04	98 05	161 70	106 77	320 14
Maryland	55 00				
Illinois	690 42	1,229 80	1,071 40	1,430 63	1,281 14
Indiana	375 44	472 38	727 78	490 43	451 87
Iowa	916 02	1,019 74	533 07	413 64	550 51
Michigan	661 65	1,092 22	954 33	773 06	186 41
Minnesota	308 78	851 39	689 70	543 24	680 39
Colorado	273 86	369 61	227 50	237 29	240 83
Wyoming	32 57	18 10	30 76	9 47	6 75
South Dakota	56 98	94 61	83 52	16 43	62 47
Ohio	1,076 41	1,403 82	1,388 32	1,674 96	1,735 29
Nebraska	326 42	230 58	268 81	214 11	275 36
Wisconsin	126 53	196 60	225 47	219 84	301 18
Kansas	356 07	667 13	484 83	396 37	461 11
Missouri	49 07	10 86	56 47	28 75	203 83
Idaho	34 50	111 94	120 47	127 95	54 11
Washington	263 71	321 49	269 84	390 67	267 70
Oregon	139 93	191 50	224 43	372 29	336 53
California	1,277 61	1,340 23	1,168 75	1,128 56	1,250 13
North Dakota	26 59	30 00	169 50	12 22	17 21
Oklahoma	43 63	42 09	6 63	19 33	31 40
Montana	8 60	38 67	68 63	36 55	57 49
Arizona	28 21	28 55	19 50	23 79	29 05
Utah	50 30	37 50	64 15	56 86	58 10
West Virginia	198 35	296 26	337 33	385 98	211 38
Miscellaneous States	39 53	94 15	44 54	50 16	56 71
Total	$21,210 85	$25,102 21	$24,427 07	$25,679 08	$22,458 96

SCHEDULE XIV

THE BUDGET FOR 1915-1916 COMPARED WITH THE BUDGET FOR 1914-1915

INCOME

Sources Outside Donations	1914-1915	1915-1916
Annuity bonds matured	$29,014.00	$27,469.88
Income from investment of annuity bonds	22,000.00	31,000.00
	$51,014.00	$58,469.88
Less payments to annuitants	28,500.00	32,000.00
	$22,514.00	$26,469.88
Income from investment of permanent funds	41,875.00	39,000.00
[illegible]	86,418.00	78,512.32
Miscellaneous [illegible]	1,000.00	4,000.00
Total income from sources outside donations	$151,807.00	$147,982.20
Donations		
Regular		
Individuals	$300,000.00	$275,000.00
Churches, young people's societies, Sunday schools, etc.	471,856.60	471,856.60
Total income from regular donations	($771,856.60)	($746,856.60)
Total income for general work	$923,663.60	$894,838.00
Specifics received in America		
For property	.....	23,000.00
For general work	7,419.00	6,929.00
Specifics received on the Field	25,545.00	32,639.00
Total specifics	($32,964.00)	($62,568.00)
Total income	$956,627.60	$957,406.80

OUTGO

Foreign Field Appropriations	1914-1915	1915-1916
Field salaries of missionaries	[illegible]	[illegible]
Salaries of missionaries on furlough	64,599.39	82,933.04
Passage of missionaries to and from field	26,750.00	19,650.00
Work of missionaries and native agencies	199,411.64	[illegible]
Care of property, rent, repairs, etc.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Work and workers in Europe	19,548.00	16,658.00
Retired missionaries and widows	13,800.00	16,691.67
New missionary appointees (salaries, outfits, passages)	17,800.00	.....
Building account, including educational equipment	15,000.00	.....
Homes for missionaries and missionaries' children	8,500.00	8,315.00
Missions, Hand Books and literature [illegible] missionaries	[illegible]	[illegible]
Visit of secretary to field	[illegible]	[illegible]
	$712,195.12	$628,363.89
Additions in previous budgets	4,000.00	30,000.00
	$716,195.12	$658,363.89
Less cancellations in previous budgets and savings in exchange	4,000.00	15,000.00
	$712,195.12	$643,363.89
Specifics received in America:		
For property	.....	23,000.00
For general work	7,419.00	6,929.00
Specifics received on the Field	25,545.00	32,639.00
	($32,964.00)	($62,568.00)
	$753,159.12	$705,931.89

Home Expenditures		
Foreign Department Administration	$22,185.66	$18,530.10
Home Department:		
Administration	19,806.72	18,922.76
Promotion of Interest and Beneficence	55,514.48	62,473.68
Treasury Department Administration	22,661.62	21,397.24
Special Joint Secretary	2,500.00	2,500.00
Interest	2,000.00	1,000.00
Judson Centennial Volume	1,000.00	.....
Northern Baptist Convention One Per Cent. Fund	.....	6,580.00
	($125,668.48)	($131,403.78)
Reserve for Work	25,800.00	32,361.00
	$896,627.60	$869,696.67
Special Reserve	60,000.00	87,710.13
Total Budget	$956,627.60	$957,406.80

NOTE.—The budget for 1915–1916 as indicated above was approved by the Finance Committee and by the Convention. Subsequently, the Convention passed a resolution requesting the Finance Committee to authorize the increase of expenditures of the Society by $100,000. At the time this final edition of the report goes to press the Board have agreed upon the adjustment of this increase, subject to the approval of the Finance Committee.

SCHEDULE XV

JOINT DEBT RECEIPTS TO MARCH 31, 1915

For the following organizations:—
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society
American Baptist Home Mission Society
Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

	District Secretary	Churches	S.S.	Y.P.S.	Indiv.	Total
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	$25 00	$25 00
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	12 00
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00
[illegible]	A. W. Rider.....	41 00	.....	.....	25 00	66 00
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	628 70	628 70
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	266 96	266 96
[illegible]	A. W. Rider.....	1,001 83	.....	2 25	435 00	1,439 08
[illegible]	J. W. Rider.....	7,175 39	19 35	1 09	1,949 50	9,145 33
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	20 00
East China	.....	.....	.....	.....	823 31	823 31
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	75 00
[illegible]	G. W. Cassidy...	375 87	52 50	.....	315 61	743 98
[illegible]	P. H. J. Lerrigo..	1,513 46	20 00	5 00	11,324 98	12,869 44
[illegible]	.....	153 28	.....	.....	10 00	163 28
[illegible]	F. S. Dobbins...	15 71	.....	.....	5 00	20 71
[illegible]	F. S. Dobbins...	748 50	25 00	.....	300 10	1,073 60
[illegible]	.....	.....	46 00	36 00	173 00	255 00
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
[illegible]	A. Cook.....	112 10	3 70	.....	325 50	441 30
[illegible]	Y. Aitchison..	3,132 11	13 15	36 74	13,402 20	16,584 20
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	35 00
[illegible]	E. Stanton...	947 71	5 00	.....	1,713 29	2,666 00
[illegible]	E. Wilcox.....	1,249 54	101 00	11 75	2,217 55	3,579 64
[illegible]	W. Cassidy...	656 18	15 26	.....	2,501 04	3,172 48
[illegible]	.....	10 00	.....	.....	5 00	15 00
[illegible]	P. H. J. Lerrigo..	1,650 23	76 91	15 03	2,550 59	4,292 76
[illegible]	P. H. J. Lerrigo..	11,840 63	145 70	53 40	17,124 84	29,164 57
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
[illegible]	D. M. Lake.....	2,512 84	14 00	.....	1,669 87	4,196 71
[illegible]	F. Peterson.....	2,794 76	33 94	33 52	832 80	3,695 02
[illegible]	.....	2,028 59	.....	.....	419 39	2,447 98
[illegible]	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 75	7 75
[illegible]	H. E. Truex.....	2,071 80	25 00	12 50	405 25	2,514 55
[illegible]	C. A. Cook.....	101 50	.....	.....	50 00	151 50
[illegible]	Wilson Mills.....	324 86	.....	.....	566 60	891 46
[illegible]	A. W. Rider.....	16 00	.....	.....	45 00	61 00
New Hampshire	P. H. J. Lerrigo..	1,373 46	40 40	68 10	766 51	2,248 47
New Jersey	F. S. Dobbins....	928 32	5 00	2 00	1,726 00	2,661 32
	A. L. Snell.....	3,885 96	23 00	15 00	2,505 37	6,429 33
New York	A. L. Snell.....	16,442 89	191 60	97 50	113,440 43	130,172 42
North Carolina	.....	.....	.....	.....	170 05	170 05
North Dakota	F. Peterson.....	52 70	.....	.....	627 00	679 70
Ohio	C. E. Stanton...	4,502 21	116 00	.....	5,061 33	9,679 54
Oklahoma	G. W. Cassidy...	65 00	.....	.....	81 00	146 00
Oregon	A. W. Rider.....	542 60	86 03	.....	214 25	842 88
Pennsylvania	F. S. Dobbins....	6,328 61	149 05	32 00	6,439 13	12,948 79
Porto Rico	.....	128 13	.....	.....	10 00	138 13
Rhode Island	P. H. J. Lerrigo..	1,598 14	.....	20 00	2,508 83	4,126 97
South Carolina	.....	1 25	.....	.....	18 50	19 75
South Dakota	F. Peterson.....	302 51	5 00	25 00	99 75	432 26
Utah	A. W. Rider.....	7 25	2 00	.....	36 00	45 25
Vermont	P. H. J. Lerrigo..	1,347 98	10 00	10 83	2,078 02	3,446 83
Virginia	.....	57 25	15 00	.....	204 45	276 70
Washington (East)	C. A. Cook.....	190 80	.....	.....	114 50	305 30
(West)	A. W. Rider.....	404 34	5 00	.....	182 50	591 84
West Virginia	J. S. Stump.....	1,057 32	376 89	57 50	1,488 82	2,980 53
Wisconsin	H. R. MacMillan.	804 42	22 50	.....	923 15	1,750 07
Wyoming	C. A. Cook.....	56 85	.....	.....	20 00	76 85
Totals		$80,551 68	$1,649 98	$535 21	$198,987 42	$281,724 29
Interest						3,174 30
						$284,898 59

	Churches	S.S.	Y.P.S.	Indiv.	Total
Designated for:					
Foreign Debt	$6,279 03	$37 70	$45 39	$11,105 54	$17,467 66
Home Debt	3,137 37	31 60	5 24	6,732 49	9,906 70
Woman's Debt	1,695 43	.....	7 00	3,079 26	4,781 69
Joint Debt	69,439 85	1,580 68	477 58	178,070 13	249,568 24
Interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,174 30
	$80,551 68	$1,649 98	$535 21	$198,987 42	$284,898 59

Distributed:
Debts as of April 1, 1914.

Ameican Baptist Foreign Mission Society	$182,713 58	
American Baptist Home Mission Society	71,051 54	
Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society	22,458 24	
	$276,223 36	
Additional	200 00	
Expenses	5,111 15	
	$281,534 51	
On deposit with:		
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society	3,362 63	
American Baptist Home Mission Society	1 45	
		$284,898 59

RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT SECRETARIES' DISTRICTS

Rev. J. Y. Aitchison, D.D.	$16,584 20
Rev. G. W. Cassidy, D.D.	4,062 46
Rev. C. A. Cook, D.D.	974 95
Rev. Frank S. Dobbins	16,704 42
Rev. E. M. Lake	4,196 71
Rev. P. H. J. Lerrigo, M.D.	56,149 04
Rev. H. R. MacMillan	1,750 07
Rev. Wilson Mills	891 46
Rev. Frank Peterson	4,806 98
Rev. A. W. Rider	12,191 38
Rev. A. L. Snell	136,601 75
Rev. Charles E. Stanton	12,345 54
Rev. John S. Stump	2,980 53
Rev. H. E. Truex	2,514 55
Rev. S. E. Wilcox, D.D.	3,579 64
Received from other sources	5,390 61
Interest	3,174 30
	$284,898 59

MISCELLANEOUS

FIELDS AND STATIONS

With the names of missionaries assigned to each

Reference signs used in the list:

*Representing the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

¶Serving without full missionary appointment.

**Representing the Mennonite Brethren of South Russia.

The key to the pronunciation of the names of stations given in these tables is that used in the latest edition of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary.

I. THE BURMA MISSION

Begun 1814. Area, 230,758 Square Miles. Population, 12,141,676

1. RANGOON (Răn-gōōn) 1813

(See footnote)

Rangoon Baptist College

E. W. Kelly, Ph. D., Principal
[illegible]ohn, Ph. D., Vice-Principal
[illegible] St. John
[illegible]. F. Smith
R. L. Howard
Mrs. R. L. Howard
R. P. Currier
Mrs. R. P. Currier
R. N. Crawford
Mrs. R. N. Crawford
C. E. Van Horn
Mrs. C. E. Van Horn
William Smith
Mrs. William Smith

Baptist Mission Press

F. D. Phinney
Mrs. F. D. Phinney
S. E. Miner
Mrs. S. E. Miner
P. R. Hackett
Mrs. P. R. Hackett
¶Miss Frieda Peter
¶Miss M. W. Ranney

Work for Burmans

W. H. S. Hascall (in general evangelistic work throughout Burma)
Mrs. W. H. S. Hascall
*Miss Katherine F. Evans (at Thandaung)
*Miss Lillian [illegible]. (at Kemendine)
*Miss A. E. Fredrickson
*Miss Margaret M. Sutherland (at Kemendine)
*Miss Agnes Neilson

Work for Karens

A. E. Seagrave
Mrs. A. E. Seagrave
Mrs. Mary M. Rose

Work for Peoples from Peninsular India

W. F. Armstrong, D. D.
Mrs. W. F. Armstrong
E. N. Armstrong (temporarily in Rangoon Baptist College)

Work among English-Speaking People and the Chinese

F. K. Singiser
Mrs. F. K. Singiser

2. INSEIN (In'-sane) 1886

Karen Theological Seminary

D. A. W. Smith, D. D., President
Mrs. D. A. W. Smith
Miss Anna H. Smith

Burman Theological Seminary

John McGuire, D. D., President
Mrs. John McGuire
W. E. Wiatt
Mrs. W. E. Wiatt

Burmese Woman's Bible School

*Miss Harriet Phinney
*Miss Ruth W. Ranney
*Miss Louise E. Tschirch

3. MOULMEIN (Mall-māne') 1827

Work for Burmans

A. C. Hanna
Mrs. A. C. Hanna
*[illegible]
[illegible]
*Miss Helen M. Good

Work for Karens

A. J. Weeks
Mrs. A. J. Weeks
*Miss Nellie E. Lucas
*Miss Stella S. Hartford

Note.—Work was begun in Rangoon in 1813 by Rev. Adoniram Judson, through the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (at first known as "The General Missionary Convention of the Baptist Denomination in the United States of America for Foreign Missions") was not organized until 1814.

Work for Talains
(In charge of A. C. Hanna)

Work for Peoples from Peninsular India
(In charge of W. F. Armstrong, D. D., at Rangoon)

Work among English-Speaking Peoples
*Miss Annie L. Prince
*Miss Lena Tillman

4. TAVOY (Tā-voy′) 1828

Work for Burmans
M. L. Streeter
Mrs. M. L. Streeter

Work for Karens
*Miss Elizabeth Lawrence
*Miss Thora M. Thompson

5. BASSEIN (Băs′-sēne) 1852

Work for Burmans
W. L. Soper
Mrs. W. L. Soper

Work for Karens
C. A. Nichols, D. D.
Mrs. C. A. Nichols
*Miss Stella T. Ragon
*Miss Alta O. Ragon
*Miss Clara B. Tingley
*Miss Grace L. Pennington

6. HENZADA (Hĕn-zā-dā) 1853

Work for Burmans
Brayton C. Case
*Miss Julia H. Stickney

Work for Karens
A. C. Phelps
Mrs. A. C. Phelps

7. TOUNGOO (Toung-ōō′) 1853

Work for Burmans
L. B. Rogers
Mrs. L. B. Rogers

Work for Karens
A. V. B. Crumb
Mrs. A. V. B. Crumb
C. H. Heptonstall
Mrs. C. H. Heptonstall
Miss Harriet N. Eastman
*Miss Lucy L. Austin

8. SHWEGYIN (Shwāy-jyĭn′) 1853

Work for Karens
E. N. Harris
*Miss H. E. Hawkes
*Miss Hattie V. Petheram

9. PROME (Prōme) 1854

Work for Burmans
E. B. Roach
Mrs. E. B. Roach
*Miss Flora E. Ayers

10. THONZE (Thōn′-zĕ) 1855

Work for Burmans
J. T. Latta
Mrs. J. T. Latta

11. ZIGON (Zēē-gōn′) 1876

Work for Burmans
(In charge of J. T. Latta, at Thonze)

12. BHAMO (Bā-mō′) 1877

Work for Kachins
J. F. Ingram
Mrs. J. F. Ingram

Work for Burmans and Shans
J. G. Woodin, M. D.
Mrs. J. G. Woodin

13. MAUBIN (Má-ōō′-bin) 1879

Work for Karens
*Miss Carrie E. Putnam
*Miss Minnie B. Pound

14. THATON (Thā-tōn′) 1880

Work for Burmans
(In charge of A. C. Hanna, at Moulmein)

15. MANDALAY (Măn′-dā-lāy) 1886

Work for Burmans
E. Tribolet
*Miss Sarah R. Slater (at Maymyo)
*Mrs. Ida B. Elliott

Mandalay High School
H. W. Smith
Mrs. H. W. Smith

Work among English-Speaking Peoples
C. L. Davenport
Mrs. C. L. Davenport, M. D.

16. THAYETMYO (Thā-yĕt′-myō) 1887

Work for Chins
E. C. Condict
Mrs. E. C. Condict

17. MYINGYAN (Myĭn-gyän′) 1887

Work for Burmans
L. W. Hattersley
Mrs. L. W. Hattersley

18. PEGU (Pĕ-gú, *g* is hard) 1887

Work for Burmans
*Miss Augusta H. Peck

19. SAGAING (Sà-gīng′. *g* is hard) 1888

Work for Burmans
Ernest Grigg
Mrs. Ernest Grigg

20. SANDOWAY (Săn'-dō-wāy) 1888

Work for Chins and Burmans
S. C. Sonnichsen
Mrs. S. C. Sonnichsen
*Miss Helen E. Bissell

21. THARRAWADDY (Thár-rā-wad'dĭ) 1889

Work for Karens
[illegible]

22. MEIKTILA (Māke'-tĭ-la) 1890

Work for Burmans
H. E. Dudley

23. HSIPAW (Sē-paw') 1896

Work for Shans

24. MONGNAI (Mōng-ni') 1892

Work for Shans
H. C. Gibbens, M. D.
Mrs. H. C. Gibbens

25. NAMKHAM (Nām-khām') 1893

Work for Shans
C. A. Kirkpatrick, M. D.
Mrs. C. A. Kirkpatrick
Miss M. B. Kirkpatrick

Work for Kachins
Ola Hanson, Litt. D.
Mrs. Ola Hanson

26. MYITKYINA (Myĭt'-chē-na) 1894

Work for Kachins
G. J. Geis
Mrs. G. J. Geis

27. HAKA (Hä'-ka) 1899

Work for Chins
J. H. Cope
Mrs. J. H. Cope
Mrs. A. E. Carson

28. LOIKAW (Loi-ka') 1899

Work for Karens
Truman Johnson, M. D.
Mrs. Truman Johnson

29. KENGTUNG (Keng-tōōng') 1901

Work for Shans and Hill Tribes
W. M. Young
Mrs. W. M. Young

30. PYINMANA (Pĭn'-mä-nä) 1905

Work for Burmans
L. H. Mosier
Mrs. L. H. Mosier

31. TAUNGGYI (Toung-jē') 1910

Work for Shans
A. H. Henderson, M. D.
Mrs. A. H. Henderson
*Mrs. H. W. Hancock

32. PYAPON (Pyä-pōne') 1911

Work for Burmans
F. H. Knollin
Mrs. F. H. Knollin

AT HOME

*Miss Kate W. Armstrong
Walter Bushell
Mrs. Walter Bushell
C. E. Chaney
*Miss Bertha W. Clark
L. W. Cronkhite
Mrs. L. W. Cronkhite
*Miss Frances E. Crooks
B. P. Cross
Mrs. B. P. Cross
J. E. Cummings, D. D.
Mrs. J. E. Cummings
A. C. [illegible]
Mrs. A. C. [illegible]
Mrs. H. E. Dudley
F. H. Eveleth, D. D.
Mrs. F. H. Eveleth
David Gilmore
Mrs. David Gilmore
Robert Harper
Mrs. Robert Harper
Mrs. E. W. Kelly, M. D.
*Miss M. M. Larsh
*Miss [illegible] M. Lewis
*Miss [illegible]
*Miss [illegible] W. [illegible]
[illegible]
Mrs. [illegible] M. McCauley
*Miss H. W. Mix
*Miss [illegible] M. Northrup
M. C. Parsons
Miss M. C. Patch
*Miss Mary L. Pond
*Miss Edna E. Purnell
*Miss Sara G. Phillips
*Miss Eva R. Price
*Mrs. W. I. Price
*Miss Mary L. R. Riggs
W. H. Roberts, D. D.
Mrs. W. H. Roberts
H. E. Safford
Mrs. H. E. Safford
*Miss E. Edna Scott
Mrs. J. F. Smith
L. W. Spring
Mrs. L. W. Spring
Mrs. E. O. Stevens
W. F. Thomas, D. D.
Mrs. W. F. Thomas
H. H. Tilbe, Ph. D.
Mrs. H. H. Tilbe
Mrs. E. Tribolet

II. THE ASSAM MISSION

Begun 1836. Area, 45,504 Square Miles. Population, 6,200,000

33. SIBSAGOR (Sib-sáw-gor) (including Dibrugarh) 1841 (See footnote)

Work for Assamese and Immigrant Peoples

Url M. Fox
Mrs. Url M. Fox

34. NOWGONG (Nou-gŏng) 1841

Work for Assamese and Immigrant Peoples

P. H. Moore
*Miss A. E. Long
*Miss Florence H. Doe
*Miss Edith E. Crisenberry
*Miss Elizabeth Hay

35. GAUHATI (Gou-hăt'-ti) 1843

Work for Assamese and Garos

A. E. Stephen
A. J. Tuttle
Mrs. A. J. Tuttle
G. R. Kampfer
Mrs. G. R. Kampfer
W. E. Witter, D. D.
Mrs. W. E. Witter
*Miss Isabelle Wilson
*Miss Ella M. Holmes

36. GOALPARA (Gō-ăl-pä'-ra) 1867

Work for Rabhas and Garos

A. C. Bowers

37. TURA (Tōō'-ra) 1876

Work for Garos including the Garo Training School

William Dring
Mrs. William Dring
G. G. Crozier, M. D.
Mrs. G. G. Crozier
W. C. Mason
A. K. Mather
Mrs. A. K. Mather
*Miss Ella C. Bond
*Miss Linnie W. Holbrook
*Miss Omie C. Carter

38. IMPUR (Im-pōōr') 1893; (See footnote)

Work for Nagas including the Naga Training School

W. F. Dowd
Mrs. W. F. Dowd
J. R. Bailey, M. D.
Mrs. J. R. Bailey

39. KOHIMA (Kō-hē'-ma) 1879

Work for Nagas

S. W. Rivenburg, M. D.
Mrs. S. W. Rivenburg
J. E. Tanquist
Mrs. J. E. Tanquist

40. NORTH LAKHIMPUR (Lăk-im-pōōr') 1895

Work for Immigrant Peoples

John Firth
Mrs. John Firth

41. UKHRUL (Oo-krōōl') 1896

Work for Nagas

William Pettigrew
Mrs. William Pettigrew

42. TIKA (Tē'-ka) 1896

Work for Mikirs and Immigrant Peoples

P. E. Moore
Mrs. P. E. Moore

43. GOLAGHAT (Gō-lä-ghät') 1898

Work for Assamese, Immigrant Peoples and Mikirs

O. L. Swanson
Mrs. O. L. Swanson
J. M. Carvell

44. JORHAT (Jŏr-hät') 1903

Work for Immigrant Peoples — Jorhat Christian Schools

S. A. D. Boggs
Mrs. S. A. D. Boggs

45. SADIYA (Sä'-dē-ya) 1906 (See footnote)

Work for Abors and Miris

(In charge of A. C. Bowers, at Goalpara)

AT HOME

Mrs. A. C. Bowers
Mrs. J. M. Carvell
F. W. Harding
Mrs. F. W. Harding
L. W. B. Jackman
Mrs. L. W. B. Jackman
H. W. Kirby, M. D.
Mrs. H. W. Kirby
R. B. Longwell
Mrs. R. B. Longwell
M. C. Mason, D. D.
Mrs. M. C. Mason
Mrs. W. C. Mason
Mrs. P. H. Moore
Joseph Paul
Mrs. Joseph Paul
C. E. Petrick
E. G. Phillips, D. D.
Mrs. E. G. Phillips
William Smith
Mrs. William Smith
Mrs. A. E. Stephen
C. H. Tilden

Note. — The first station opened in Assam was Sadiya (1836). This was given up in 1839, being reopened in 1906. The oldest station in Assam in continuous occupation is Sibsagor.

Note. — Work was begun at Molung in 1876, and was transferred to Impur in 1893.

Note. — Work was begun at Sadiya in 1836, but was given up in 1839. In 1906 Sadiya was reopened.

III. THE SOUTH INDIA MISSION

Begun 1836. Area, 42,336 Square Miles. Population, 6,072,538

46. NELLORE (Nĕl-lōre′) 1840 (See footnote)

General Work

David Downie, D. D.
Mrs. David Downie
[illegible]

Boys' High School

[illegible]

Girls' High School

*Miss Ella J. Draper

47. ONGOLE (On′gōle′) 1866

J. A. Curtis
Mrs. J. A. Curtis
*Miss Sarah Kelly
*Miss Amelia E. Dessa
*Miss Bertha M. [illegible]
*Miss [illegible]
*Miss [illegible] B. Wilson, M. D. (In language study)

High School

L. E. Martin
Mrs. L. E. Martin

48. RAMAPATNAM (Rä′-má-pŭt′-nŭm) 1869

Theological Seminary and General Work

J. Heinrichs, President
Mrs. J. Heinrichs
*Miss Florence M. Rorer

49. ALLUR (Ŭl-lōōr′) 1873

W. S. Davis
Mrs. W. S. Davis

50. SECUNDERABAD (Sē-kŭn′-dĕr′-ä-bäd) 1873

F. H. Levering
Mrs. F. H. Levering, M. D.
*Miss Edith Hollis

51. KURNOOL (Kŭr-nōōl′) 1876

W. A. Stanton, D. D.
Mrs. W. A. Stanton

High School

B. J. Rockwood
Mrs. B. J. Rockwood

52. MADRAS (Mä-drās′) 1878

W. L. Ferguson, D. D.
T. V. Witter
Mrs. T. V. Witter
*Miss Lillian V. Wagner
*Miss Julia E. Bent

English Church

W. R. Manley
Mrs. W. R. Manley

53. HANUMAKONDA (Hŭn-ōō-mä-kōn′-dä) 1879

J. W. Stenger, M. D.
Mrs. J. W. Stenger

54. CUMBUM (Kŭm-bŭm) 1882

John Newcomb
Mrs. John Newcomb

55. VINUKONDA (Vĭn-ōō-kōn′-dä) 1883

John Dussman
Mrs. John Dussman
*Miss Margarita F. Moran

56. NARSARAVUPET (Nŭr-sä-rä′-vōō-pĕt′) 1883

E. E. Silliman
Mrs. E. E. Silliman
*Miss Grace H. Patton

57. BAPATLA (Bä-pŭt′-lä) 1883

General Work and Normal Training Institution

G. N. Thomssen
Mrs. G. N. Thomssen

58. UDAYAGIRI (Ōō′-dä-yä-gĭ-rĭ) 1885

F. W. Stait
Mrs. F. W. Stait, M. D.

59. PALMUR (Päl-mōōr′) 1885

Elbert Chute
Mrs. Elbert Chute
*Miss Lucy H. Booker
*Miss Marian E. Farbar, M. D.

60. NALGONDA (Nŭl-gōn′-dä) 1890

(In charge of A. J. Hubert, at Sooriapett)

61. KANIGIRI (Kŭn′-ĭ-gi-rĭ) 1892

G. H. Brock

62. KAVALI (Kä′-vä-lĭ) 1893

S. D. Bawden
Mrs. S. D. Bawden

63. KANDUKURU (Kŭn′-dōō-kōō-rōō) 1893

(In charge of G. H. Brock, at Kanigiri)

Note. — The South India Mission was begun in 1836 at Vizagapatam, whence the work was removed in 1837 to Madras. In 1840 it was transferred to Nellore. Madras was reopened in 1878.

64. ATMAKUR (At-mâ-kōōr′) 1893
W. C. Owen
Mrs. W. C. Owen

65. PODILI (Pō′-dĭ-lĭ)
(In charge of G. H. Brock, at Kanigiri)

66. SATTENAPALLE (Săt′-tĕ-nâ-pŭl′-lĕ) 1894
A. M. Boggs
Mrs. A. M. Boggs
Mrs. W. B. Boggs

67. MARKAPUR (Mär′-kŭ-pōōr) 1895
C. R. Marsh
Mrs. C. R. Marsh
*Miss Katherine Gerow, M. D.

68. GURZALLA (Gōōr-zä′-lâ) 1895
(In charge of John Dussman, at Vinukonda)

69. SOORIAPETT (Sōō-rĭ-â-pĕt′) 1900
**A. J. Hubert
**Mrs. A. J. Hubert
*Miss Melissa Morrow

70. JANGAON (Jŭn-gān′) 1901
Johann Penner
Mrs. Johann Penner

71. DONAKONDA (Dô′-nâ-kôn′-dâ) 1903
(In charge of J. A. Curtis, at Ongole)

72. GADVAL (Gŭd-väl′) 1903
G. J. Huizinga
Mrs. G. J. Huizinga

73. NANDYAL (Nŭn-dĭ-äl′) 1904
S. W. Stenger
Mrs. S. W. Stenger

74. MADIRA (Mŭ-dĭ-râ) 1905
Frank Kurtz

AT HOME
J. M. Baker
Mrs. J. M. Baker
Wheeler Boggess
Mrs. Wheeler Boggess
*Miss A. Laura Boggs
W. E. Boggs
Mrs. W. E. Boggs
Mrs. G. H. Brock
Edwin Bullard
Mrs. Edwin Bullard
Miss E. Grace Bullard
A. H. Curtis
Mrs. A. H. Curtis
W. T. Elmore, Ph. D.
Mrs. W. T. Elmore
Mrs. W. L. Ferguson
*Miss Kate M. French
¶A. Friesen
*Miss Bessie E. Harvey
Henry Huizinga, Ph. D.
Mrs. Henry Huizinga
Mrs. Frank Kurtz
*Miss Anna M. Linker
W. J. Longley
Mrs. W. J. Longley
C. Rutherford
Mrs. C. Rutherford
E. O. Schugren
Mrs. E. O. Schugren
J. S. Timpany, M. D.
Mrs. J. S. Timpany
**C. Unruh
**Mrs. C. Unruh
Thorlief Wathne
Mrs. Thorlief Wathne
*Miss Dorcas Whitaker

IV. THE BENGAL-ORISSA MISSION

Begun 1836. Area, about 12,000 Square Miles. Population, 4,000,000

75. BALASORE (Băl-â-sōre′) 1838 (See footnote *a*)
C. A. Collett
Mrs. C. A. Collett
H. I. Frost
Mrs. H. I. Frost
Miss S. B. Gowen
Miss Amy B. Coe
Miss Amorette Porter

76. JELLASORE (Jel-lā-sōre) 1840
(In charge of C. A. Collett, at Balasore)

77. MIDNAPORE (Mid-nā-pōre′) 1844 (See footnote *b*)
A. L. Kennan, M. D.
Mrs. A. L. Kennan
J. A. Howard
Mrs. J. A. Howard
Mrs. S. M. Ager
Mrs. Julia P. Burkholder
Miss Ruth Daniels
Mrs. Ida M. Holder

78. SANTIPORE (Săn-ti-pōre′) 1865
Miss Mary W. Bacheler, M. D.
Miss E. M. Butts

79. BHIMPORE (Beem-pōre′) 1873
H. R. Murphy, M. D.
Mrs. H. R. Murphy

80. CHANDBALI (Chŭnd′-bali) 1886
(In charge of H. R. Murphy, M. D., at Bhimpore)

81. BHADRAK (Bhúd-rack) 1890
(In charge of C. A. Collett, at Balasore)

82. CONTAI (Cŏn-tī) 1892
(In charge of H. R. Murphy, M. D., at Bhimpore)

Note *a*. — The Bengal-Orissa Mission was begun in 1836 at Cuttack, in connection with the English Baptist Mission. Sambalpur, the first station, was opened in 1837, but on account of its unhealthfulness the work was transferred in 1838 to Balasore, and this became the first permanent station of the Free Baptist Mission. A. B. F. M. S., 1911.

Note *b*. — Work was begun temporarily at Midnapore in 1844, permanently in 1863.

83. KHARAGPUR (Kär-ag-pöör') 1902
J. H. Oxrieder
Mrs. J. H. Oxrieder
Zo D. Browne
Mrs. Zo D. Browne
Miss L. C. Coombs
Miss Clara V. Goodrich
G. H. Hamlen, D. D.
Mrs. G. H. Hamlen
H. E. Wyman
Mrs. H. E. Wyman

AT HOME
Miss E. E. Barnes

V. THE CHINA MISSIONS

Begun 1836. Area, 4,000,000 Square Miles. Population 400,000,000

SOUTH CHINA

84. SWATOW (Swa-tou) 1860 (See footnote)

Ashmore Theological Seminary
William Ashmore, D. D., President
Mrs. William Ashmore

South China Baptist Academy
[illegible]
A. H. Page
Mrs. A. H. Page
¶N. H. Carman (for language study)

General Work
[illegible] (for language study)
[illegible] (for language study)
[illegible]
[illegible]
H. W. [illegible] M. D. (at Nanking for language study)
*[illegible]
*[illegible]
*Miss Edith G. Traver
*Miss Mildred Scott (for language study)
*Miss Mabelle R. Culley (for language study)

85. KAYING (Kä-ying) 1890
[illegible]
Mrs. George Campbell
J. H. Giffin
Mrs. J. H. Giffin
C. E. Bousfield (at Changning)
Mrs. C. E. Bousfield (at Changning)
*Miss Louise Campbell
*Miss Fannie Northcott

86. UNGKUNG (Ung-kung) 1892
G. W. Lewis
Mrs. G. W. Lewis

87. CHAOCHOWFU (Chou-chou-foo) 1894
B. L. Baker
Mrs. B. L. Baker, M. D.

88. KITYANG (Kit-yäng) 1896
J. M. Foster, D. D.
Miss Edythe A. Bacon, M. D.

89. CHAOYANG (Chow-yäng) 1905
A. F. Groesbeck, D. D.
Mrs. A. F. Groesbeck
C. B. Lesher, M. D.
Mrs. C. B. Lesher, M. D.

90. HOPO (Hó-pó) 1907
A. S. Adams
Mrs. A. S. Adams

91. CANTON (Kän-tón) 1913

China Baptist Publication Society

AT HOME
R. E. Adkins, M. D.
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Jacob Speicher
Mrs. Jacob Speicher
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Mrs. G. E. Whitman
*Miss Luciele A. Withers
L. E. Worley
Mrs. L. E. Worley

EAST CHINA

92. NINGPO (Ning-pō) 1843
J. S. Grant, M. D.
Mrs. J. S. Grant
E. E. Jones
Mrs. E. E. Jones
L. C. Hylbert
Mrs. L. C. Hylbert
F. C. Wilcox
Mrs. F. C. Wilcox
*Miss Helen A. Eggo
*Miss Martha C. Covert
*Miss Dora Zimmerman
*Miss Anna A. Martin

93. SHAOHSING (Zhou-shing) 1869
F. W. Goddard, M. D.
Mrs. F. W. Goddard
C. H. Barlow, M. D. (at Nanking for langugae study)
Mrs. C. H. Barlow (at Nanking for language study)
A. I. Nasmith
*Miss Marie A. Dowling
*Miss Esther D. Nairn
*Miss Alma L. Pittman

Note. — Work was begun at Macao in 1836. In 1842 this was transferred to Hongkong, and thence in 1860 to Swatow.

94. KINHWA (Kĭn-whā) 1883
C. F. MacKenzie, M. D.
Mrs. C. F. MacKenzie
E. H. Cressy
Mrs. E. H. Cressy
*Miss Stella Relyea
*Miss Edna R. Sparey
*Miss E. J. Peterson

95. HUCHOW (Hōō-chou) 1888
M. D. Eubank, M. D.
Mrs. M. D. Eubank
J. V. Latimer
Mrs. J. V. Latimer
C. D. Leach, M. D.
Mrs. C. D. Leach
*Miss Bertha A. Fetzer

96. HANGCHOW (Hăng-chou) 1889

General Work
P. R. Bakeman
Mrs. P. R. Bakeman
*Miss Helen M. Rawlings
*Miss Martha D. Woods

Wayland Academy
P. R. Moore
Mrs. P. R. Moore
W. S. Sweet
Mrs. W. S. Sweet

97. SHANGHAI (Shăng-hī) 1907

Shanghai Baptist College and Theological Seminary
F. J. White, D. D., President
Mrs. F. J. White
G. A. Huntley, M. D.
Mrs. G. A. Huntley
F. C. Mabee
Mrs. F. C. Mabee
C. L. Bromley
Mrs. C. L. Bromley
Daniel H. Kulp, II
Mrs. Daniel H. Kulp, II
Victor Hanson (at Nanking for language study)
Mrs. Victor Hanson (at Nanking for language study)
Miss L. J. Dahl

General Work
J. T. Proctor, D. D.
Mrs. J. T. Proctor

Mission Treasury
R. D. Stafford
Mrs. R. D. Stafford

98. NANKING (Năn-kĭng) 1911

University of Nanking
C. S. Keen
Mrs. C. S. Keen
N. W. Brown, M. D.
Mrs. N. W. Brown
*Miss Mary A. Nourse
*Miss Harriet N. Smith (for language study)

AT HOME
*Miss Mary Cressey
Mrs. J. R. Goddard
*Miss Mary I. Jones
*Miss LaVerne Minniss
B. E. Robison
Mrs. B. E. Robison
A. F. Ufford
Mrs. A. F. Ufford

WEST CHINA

99. SUIFU (Swā-fōō) 1889

General Work
C. E. Tompkins, M. D.
Mrs. C. E. Tompkins
H. F. Rudd
Mrs. H. F. Rudd, M. D.
D. C. Graham
Mrs. D. C. Graham
*Miss Flora P. Page
*Miss Beulah E. Bassett

Munroe Academy
C. L. Foster
Mrs. C. L. Foster

100. KIATINGFU (Jä-dĭng-fōō) 1894
F. J. Bradshaw
Mrs. F. J. Bradshaw, M. D.
*Miss Pansy C. Mason

101. YACHOWFU (Yā-jō-fōō) 1894
H. J. Openshaw
Mrs. H. J. Openshaw
Mrs. C. A. Salquist
F. N. Smith
Mrs. F. N. Smith
W. E. Bailey
Mrs. W. E. Bailey
G. Glass Davitt, M. D.
Mrs. G. Glass Davitt
*Miss Winifred W. Roeder

102. NINGYUANFU (Ning-yuan-fōō) 1905
Robert Wellwood
Mrs. Robert Wellwood
J. C. Humphreys, M. D.
Mrs. J. C. Humphreys
J. C. Jensen
Mrs. J. C. Jensen

103. CHENGTU (Chĕng-tōō) 1909

West China Union University
Rev. Joseph Taylor
Mrs. Joseph Taylor
W. R. Morse, M. D.
Mrs. W. R. Morse
W. R. Taylor (for language study)
Mrs. W. R. Taylor (for language study)

Bible School
J. P. Davies
Mrs. J. P. Davies
*Miss Irene M. Chambers

AT HOME
Mrs. J. A. Cherney
D. S. Dye
Edgar T. Shields. M. D.
Mrs. Edgar T. Shields

UNDESIGNATED
W. F. Beaman (at Shanghai)
Mrs. W. F. Beaman (at Shanghai)
A. G. Adams (at Nanking for language study)
Mrs. A. G. Adams (at Nanking for language study)

CENTRAL CHINA

104. HANYANG (Hăn-yăng) 1895

General Work, including Union Medical School
I. B. Clark
Mrs. I. B. Clark
Mrs. J. S. Adams (at Nanking)
*Miss Annie L. Crowl
*Miss Emelie Bretthauer, M. D.

AT HOME
*Miss Jennie L. Cody
*Miss L. Jennie Crawford

VI. THE JAPAN MISSION

Begun 1872. Area, 147,000 Square Miles. Population, 52,000,000

105. YOKOHAMA (Yō-kō-ha'-ma) 1872
C. H. D. Fisher
Mrs. C. H. D. Fisher
J. L. Dearing, D. D.
Mrs. J. L. Dearing
*Miss Clara A. Converse (at Kanagawa)
*Miss Ruth D. French (at Kanagawa)
*Miss Alice C. Bixby (at Kanagawa)

106. TOKYO (Tō-kyō) 1874

General Work
C. K. Harrington, D. D.
William Wynd
Mrs. William Wynd
[illegible]
*Miss M. Antoinette Whitman
*Miss M. Anna Clagett
*Miss Gertrude E. Ryder
*Miss Harriet Dithridge
*Miss Amy Crosby

Japan Baptist Theological Seminary
C. B. Tenny
Mrs. C. B. Tenny

Duncan Baptist Academy (Tokyo Gakuin)
D. C. Holtom
Mrs. D. C. Holtom
R. H. Fisher
Mrs. R. H. Fisher

107. KOBE (Kō'-bĕ) 1881
R. A. Thomson
Mrs. R. A. Thomson

108. SENDAI (Sĕn-dī) 1882
C. H. Ross
Mrs. C. H. Ross
*Miss Annie S. Buzzell
*Miss Ama A. Acock

109. MORIOKA (Mō-rĭ-ō-ka) including Otaru (O-tà-rōō) 1887
Henry Topping
F. W. Steadman
Mrs. F. W. Steadman
*Miss Mary D. Jesse

110. MITO (Mĭ'-to) 1889
E. H. Jones
Mrs. E. H. Jones

111. OSAKA (O'-sa-ka) 1892
J. H. Scott
J. A. Foote
Mrs. J. A. Foote
*Miss Lavinia Mead
*Miss Mary E. Danielson

112. INLAND SEA 18[illegible]
Luke W. Bickel
Mrs. Luke W. Bickel

113. HIMEJI (Hĭ-mā'-ji) 1907
F. C. Briggs
Mrs. F. C. Briggs
*Miss Edith F. Wilcox
*Miss Majorie Hiscox

114. KYOTO (Kyō'-tō) 1907
(In charge of R. A. Thom[illegible])

AT HOME
William Axling
Mrs. William Axling
H. B. Benninghoff
Mrs. H. B. Benninghoff
W. B. Bullen
Mrs. W. B. Bullen
J. F. Gressitt
Mrs. J. F. Gressitt
Mrs. C. K. Harrington
G. W. Hill
Mrs. G. W. Hill
W. B. Parshley, D. D.
Mrs. W. B. Parshley
*Miss Florence Rumsey
*Miss Helen F. Topping
Mrs. Henry Topping
*Mrs. Nina Tux[illegible]

VII. THE CONGO MISSION

Adopted 1884. Area of Belgian Congo, 900,000 Square Miles. Population, estimated 9,000,000

115. PALABALA (Pä-lä-bä-la) 1878
W. A. Hall

116. BANZA MANTEKE (Măn-tē'-ka) 1879
Henry Richards
Mrs. Henry Richards
C. H. Harvey
Judson C. King, M. D.
Mrs. Judson C. King
*Miss Frances A. Cole

117. MATADI (Mà-tá-di) 1880
J. O. Gotaas
Mrs. J. O. Gotaas

118. LUKUNGA (Lū-kōōng′-ga) 1882
A. L. Bain
Mrs. A. L. Bain

119. MUKIMVIKA (Mū-kĭm-vē′-ka) in Portuguese Africa, 1882
F. P. Lynch, M. D.

120. TSHUMBIRI (Chŭm-bē′-rĭ) 1890
P. C. Metzger
Mrs. P. C. Metzger

121. SONA BATA (Sōna Bā′-ta) 1890
P. A. McDiarmid
Mrs. P. A. McDiarmid
J. E. Geil
Mrs. J. E. Geil
R. W. Nauss, M. D.

122. IKOKO (E-kō′-kō) 1894
Joseph Clark
Mrs. Joseph Clark
W. E. Rodgers
Mrs. W. E. Rodgers
Hjalmar Ostrom, M. D.
Mrs. Hjalmar Ostrom
A. V. Marsh

123. KIMPESI (Kĭm-pā′-si) 1908

Congo Evangelical Training Institution
S. E. Moon
Mrs. S. E. Moon
*Miss Catharine L. Mabie, M. D.

124. VANGA (Van′-gá) 1913
W. H. Leslie, M. D.
Mrs. W. H. Leslie
H. F. Gilbert
Mrs. H. F. Gilbert

AT HOME
Mrs. A. Billington
P. Frederickson
Mrs. P. Frederickson
Mrs. W. A. Hall
Mrs. C. H. Harvey
Thomas Hill
Mrs. Thomas Hill
Thomas Moody
Mrs. Thomas Moody
A. Sims, M. D., D. P. H.
L. Foster Wood
Mrs. L. Foster Wood

VIII. THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS MISSION

Begun 1900. Area, 115,026 Square Miles. Population estimated 8,000,000

125. ILOILO (E-lō-ē-lō) including **JARO** (Hä-ro), Panay (Pä-nī) Island, 1900

General Work
A. E. Bigelow
Mrs. A. E. Bigelow
H. W. Munger
*Miss Annie V. Johnson
*Miss Caroline M. Bissinger
*Miss K. O. Johnson
*Miss Selma Lagergren
Miss Christine G. Benedict
*Miss Frieda L. Appel
*Miss Ethel Phelps

Philippine Mission Press
(In charge of A. E. Bigelow)

Jaro Industrial School
F. H. Rose
Mrs. F. H. Rose
I. Newton Earle, Jr.
Mrs. I. Newton Earle, Jr.
*Miss A. B. Honger
Miss Mary J. Thomas

126. BACOLOD (Bä-kō′-lŏd), Negros (Nā′-gros) Island, 1901
C. L. Maxfield
Mrs. C. L. Maxfield
*Miss Alice M. Stanard

127. CAPIZ (Cäp′-es) Panay Island, 1903
H. H. Steinmetz, M. D.
Mrs. H. H. Steinmetz
J. F. Russell
Mrs. J. F. Russell
Miss Margaret Suman

AT HOME
*Miss Rose E. Nicolet
J. L. Snyder
Mrs. J. L. Snyder
R. C. Thomas, M. D.
W. O. Valentine
Mrs. W. O. Valentine
*Miss Sarah Whelpton

RETIRED

Mrs. William Ashmore
Mrs. C. B. Banks
Mrs. A. A. Bennett
J. C. Brand
Mrs. Alonzo Bunker
J. E. Case
Mrs. J. E. Case
Mrs. Arthur Christopher
Mrs. E. W. Clark
Mrs. J. E. Clough
Mrs. E. L. Coldren
Mrs. F. D. Crawley
Mrs. J. N. Cushing
*Miss Bertha E. Davis
*Miss Mary M. Day
*Miss Leslie M. Dounton, M.D.
Mrs. J. G. Fetzer
Mrs. E. N. Fletcher
Mrs. C. B. Glenesk
Z. F. Griffin
Mrs. Z. F. Griffin
A. K. Gurney
Mrs. A. K. Gurney
Mrs. Charles Hadley
H. W. Hale
Mrs. H. W. Hale
S. W. Hamblen
Mrs. S. W. Hamblen
L. E. Hicks, Ph.D.
Mrs. L. E. Hicks
T. D. Holmes
Mrs. T. D. Holmes

Eric Lund, D. D.
Mrs. Eric Lund
Mrs. C. G. Lewis
Mrs. John McLaurin
Mrs. F. E. Morgan
Mrs. John Packer
Mrs. S. B. Partridge
*Miss Clara E. Righter
*Mrs. Anna K. Scott, M.D.
*Miss Martha Sheldon
*Miss Eva C. Stark
Mrs. F. P. Sutherland
*Miss E. J. Taylor
Mrs. H. Unruh
R. R. Williams, D.D.
Mrs. R. R. Williams

DEATHS

[illegible] Bickel, D. D.
A. Billington
*Miss Sarah R. Bustard
Mrs. H. P. Cochrane
*Miss Katherine Darmstadt
H. A. Kemp
M. B. Kirkpatrick, M. D.
Mrs. J. H. Vinton

RESIGNATIONS

*Miss Frances Adkins
*Miss Alma Broadhead
H. P. Cochrane
W. W. Cochrane
Mrs. W. W. Cochrane
J. H. Deming
Mrs. J. H. Deming
Mrs. H. W. B. Joorman
*Miss N. Agnes Robb
*Miss Bertha M. Rothermel
J. B. Money
Mrs. J. B. Money
S. R. Vinton
Mrs. S. R. Vinton

MARRIAGES

A. D. McGlashan, China, to Mrs. Florence K. Hamel, South India

MISSIONARIES UNDER APPOINTMENT

Harold deB. Barss, M.D.
Mrs. Harold deB. Barss
G. L. Bergman
Mrs. G. L. Bergman
Mrs. Violet G. Bissinger
Herbert C. Long
Frank P. Manley
Mrs. Frank P. Manley
W. P. McLeod, M.D.
Mrs. W. P. McLeod
J. E. Moncrieff
Leslie B. Moss
Mrs. Leslie B. Moss
[illegible]
W. H. Stallings
R. S. Wallis
Mrs. R. S. Wallis
W. S. Webb

APPOINTMENT EFFECTIVE UPON MARRIAGE

Virginia A. Merriam, fiancée of J. E. Moncrieff

THE BURMA MISSION — Table 1

Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Missionaries						Native Workers							
		Men Ordained	Men Unordained	Wives	Single Women	Physicians, Men and Women	Total Missionaries	Preachers		Teachers		Bible Women	Medical Assistants		
								Ordained	Unordained	Men	Women		Men	Women	
1	Theological Seminaries														
2	Karen Theological Seminary	1	....	1	1	....	3	.....	.....	4	.....	....	.....	.....	
3	Burman Theological Seminary	2	....	2	....	....	4	*3	*1	*3	*1	....	....	....	
4	Rangoon Baptist College	4	3	5	....	....	12	.....	.....	*40	*12	...	...	....	
5	Baptist Mission Press	....	3	3	....	....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	
6	Burmans (a)														
7	Rangoon	1	....	1	8	....	10	.....	*9	*4	*19	*4	....	....	
8	Moulmein	....	1	1	3	....	5	7	3	13	29	....	....	....	
9	Tavoy	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	3	5	12	2	....	....	
10	Bassein	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	3	14	9	2	....	....	
11	Henzada	1	....	....	1	....	2	2	10	29	14	1	....	....	
12	Toungoo	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	3	3	3	1	....	....	
13	Prome	1	....	1	1	....	3	.....	5	1	8	1	....	....	
14	Thonze	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	4	4	7	2	....	....	
15	Zigon	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	1	4	5	4	....	....	....	
16	Thaton	....	(1)	....	....	....	(1)	.....	**1	.....	.....	**3	....	....	
17	Mandalay	1	1	1	2	....	5	3	3	.....	.....	11	....	....	
18	Myingyan	1	....	1	....	....	2	2	4	11	3	....	....	....	
19	Pegu	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	3	1	3	1	....	....	
20	Sagaing	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	3	.....	5	1	....	....	
21	Meiktila	1	....	....	....	....	1	1	2	8	5	1	....	....	
22	Pyinmana	1	....	1	....	(1)	2	1	2	.....	.....	....	....	....	
23	Pyapon	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	3	6	1	....	....	....	
24	Totals, Burmans	(13)	(2)	(12)	(16)	(1)	(43)	(23)	(65)	(104)	(122)	(30)	....	....	
25	Karens														
26	Rangoon—Sgaw	1	....	1	....	....	2	34	115	90	56	4	....	....	
27	Rangoon—Pwo (b)	....	....	....	1	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	
28	Moulmein—Sgaw	1	....	1	2	....	4	9	30	23	30	5	....	....	
29	Tavoy—Sgaw	....	....	....	2	....	2	6	22	29	5	2	....	....	
30	Bassein—Pwo	1	....	1	1	....	3	14	32	28	32	..	....	....	
31	Bassein—Sgaw	....	....	....	3	....	3	48	80	101	60	...	....	....	
32	Henzada—Sgaw	1	....	1	....	....	2	20	45	....	.....	....	....	....	
33	Toungoo—Paku	1	....	1	2	....	4	13	40	39	7	....	....	....	
34	Toungoo—Bghai	1	....	1	....	....	2	*14	*79	*17	*3	....	....	....	
35	Shwegyin—Sgaw	1	....	....	2	....	3	17	53	72	7	2	....	....	
36	Tharrawaddy—Sgaw	1	....	1	3	....	5	9	31	51	14	6	....	....	
37	Maubin—Pwo	....	....	....	2	....	2	6	5	23	6	4	....	....	
38	Loikaw	1	....	1	....	(1)	2	2	13	11	1	1	....	(1)	
39	Totals, Karens	(9)	....	(8)	(18)	(1)	(35)	(192)	(545)	(484)	(221)	(24)	....	....	
40	Kachins														
41	Bhamo	1	....	1	....	....	2	4	2	12	5	....	....	....	
42	Myitkyina	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	5	5	1	....	....	....	
43	Namkham	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	2	9	.....	....	....	....	
44	Totals, Kachins	(3)	....	(3)	....	....	(6)	(5)	(9)	(26)	(6)	....	....	....	
45	Shans														
46	Bhamo	....	1	1	....	(1)	2	.....	.....	7	.....	....	....	....	
47	Hsipaw	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	1	5	2	1	....	....	
48	Mongnai	1	....	1	....	(1)	2	1	4	2	4	2	1	1	
49	Namkham	....	1	1	1	(1)	3	.....	1	3	4	....	1	....	
50	Kengtung	1	....	1	....	....	2	16	62	41	4	2	3	....	
51	Taunggyi	....	1	1	1	(1)	3	.....	3	4	6	3	...	1	
52	Totals, Shans	(2)	(3)	(5)	(2)	(4)	(12)	(17)	(71)	(62)	(20)	(8)	(5)	(2)	
53	Chins														
54	Thayetmyo	1	....	1	....	....	2	4	5	3	1	....	....	....	
55	Sandoway	1	....	1	1	....	3	7	3	8	9	1	....	....	
56	Haka	1	....	1	1	....	3	2	10	5	.....	....	1	....	
57	Totals, Chins	(3)	....	(3)	(2)	....	(8)	(13)	(18)	(16)	(10)	(1)	(1)	....	
58	Talains														
59	Moulmein	....	(1)	....	....	....	(1)	4	4	1	1	....	....	....	
60	Telugus and Tamils	2	....	1	....	....	3	2	7	22	10	6	....	....	
61	Chinese	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	
62	English-speaking Peoples														
63	Rangoon	1	....	1	....	....	2	†1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
64	Moulmein	....	....	....	2	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
65	Mandalay	1	....	1	....	(1)	2	.....	1	1	8	....	....	....	
66	Totals, English-speaking Peoples	(2)	....	(2)	(2)	(1)	(6)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(8)	....	....	....	
67	Missionaries at Home	15	....	18	17	(1)	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
68	Totals for Burma	56	11	63	58	(8)	188	260	721	763	411	60	6	2	

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Number of Lines	Native Workers			Church Statistics									Educational Statistics				
	Men	Other Native Workers: Women	Total Native Workers	Total Organized Churches	Churches Entirely Self-Supporting	Church Buildings and Chapels	Total Places for Regular Meetings	Church Members: Male	Church Members: Female	Church Members: Total Church Members (q)	Added by Baptism during Year	Sunday Schools	Total Enrolled Sunday School Membership	Theological Seminaries and Training Schools	Pupils in Theological Seminaries and Training Schools: Men	Pupils in Theological Seminaries and Training Schools: Women	Colleges	Pupils in Colleges
1															1	126		
2															*1	*36		
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THE BURMA MISSION — Table 3

Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Educational Statistics										
		High Schools	Pupils in High Schools		Secondary Schools (other than High Schools)	Pupils in Secondary Schools		Primary Schools	Pupils in Primary Schools		Total Number of Schools of all Grades	Schools Entirely Self-Supporting
			Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		
1	Theological Seminaries											
2	Karen Theological Seminary										1	
3	Burman Theological Seminary										*1	
4	Rangoon Baptist College	*(1)	*1326	*89							*1	
5	Baptist Mission Press											
6	Burmans (a)											
7	Rangoon	*(1)		*5	*1		*82	*4	*283	*177	*5	*(1)
8	Moulmein				3	457	394	4	189	133	7	(2)
9	Tavoy				1	79	70	3	55	107	4	
10	Bassein				6	505	121	1		30	7	(1)
11	Henzada	(1)	4		3	251	20	11	598	174	14	(6)
12	Toungoo							3	87	19	3	
13	Prome				1	37	68	4	81	79	5	
14	Thonze							6	142	174	6	
15	Zigon				1	94	6	1	129	21	2	
16	Thaton							**1		**40	**1	
17	Mandalay	1	39	4	(1)	90		(1)	83		1	
18	Myingyan	1	36		2	124		2	142	12	5	(1)
19	Pegu							2	44	35	2	
20	Sagaing				1	25	24	1	7	21	2	
21	Meiktila				1	156	11	1	59	3	2	
22	Pyinmana				1	118	6	1	160	20	2	
23	Pyapon				1	144	27				1	
24	Totals, Burmans	(2)	(79)	(9)	(22)	(2080)	(829)	(45)	(2059)	(1045)	(69)	(11)
25	Karens											
26	Rangoon—Sgaw				1	251	128	101	1546	1314	102	(102)
27	Rangoon—Pwo (b)										1	
28	Moulmein—Sgaw				1	41	24	21	664	538	22	(22)
29	Tavoy—Sgaw				1	35	9	26	425	201	27	(26)
30	Bassein—Pwo				1	149	67	50	708	541	51	(50)
31	Bassein—Sgaw	1	39	5	(1)	353	185	156	2815	2738	157	(156)
32	Henzada—Sgaw				1	179	70	113	1992	1513	114	
33	Toungoo—Paku				1	120	63	35	326	325	36	(35)
34	Toungoo—Bghai				*1	*142	*43	*33	*816	*529	*34	*(33)
35	Shwegyin—Sgaw				2	210	75	33	480	319	35	(35)
36	Tharrawaddy—Sgaw	1	428	119	3	196	40	39	668	409	43	(42)
37	Maubin—Pwo				1	50	14	1	60	41	2	
38	Loikaw				1	36	17	11	116	68	12	(4)
39	Totals, Karens	(2)	(467)	(124)	(14)	(1762)	(735)	(619)	(10616)	(8536)	(636)	(505)
40	Kachins											
41	Bhamo				1	65	20	7	166	13	8	(5)
42	Myitkyina							3	72	32	3	(2)
43	Namkham							7	97	26	7	
44	Totals, Kachins				(1)	(65)	(20)	(17)	(335)	(71)	(18)	(7)
45	Shans											
46	Bhamo				1	213	13				1	
47	Hsipaw				1	73	24				1	
48	Mongnai							2	38	34	2	
49	Namkham				1	13	14	2	22	12	3	
50	Kengtung				1	151	55	31	305	201	32	(21)
51	Taunggyi				1	38	5	3	128	41	4	
52	Totals, Shans				(5)	(488)	(111)	(38)	(493)	(288)	(43)	(21)
53	Chins											
54	Thayetmyo				1	12	2	7	107	37	8	(6)
55	Sandoway				3	90	78	7	70	48	10	(3)
56	Haka							3	84	14	3	
57	Totals, Chins				(4)	(102)	(80)	(17)	(261)	(99)	(21)	(9)
58	Talains											
59	Moulmein							2	57	84	2	(1)
60	Telugus and Tamils							5	452	146	6	
61	Chinese											
62	English-speaking Peoples											
63	Rangoon											
64	Moulmein				‡1	‡31	‡67				‡1	
65	Mandalay				1	64	36	1	16	2	2	
66	Totals, English-speaking Peoples				(2)	(95)	(103)	(1)	(16)	(2)	(3)	
67	Missionaries at Home											
68	Totals for Burma	4	1872	222	48	4502	1878	744	14289	10271	801	(554)

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Number of Lines	Educational Statistics				Native Contributions				Medical Summary							
	Total Number of Instruction in this Field	Pupils United with Church during Year	Fees Paid by Pupils	Government Grants to Schools	For Ch. Expenses, Support of Pastors and Other Workers	For Education (Not Including Fees of Pupils)	For Missions and Other Benevolences	Total Native Contributions	Number of Hospitals	Number of Dispensaries	Number of In-Patients	Number of Out-Patients	Total Number of Treatments	Total Expenses Including Assistants	Receipts in Fee	
1																
2	126															
3	*36				*$7	*$100	*$100	*$207								
4	*1554	*27	*$12368	*$7919												
5																
6																
7	*566	*14	*4944	*3727	*529		*493	*1011								
8	1173	4	4654	5255	282	39	771									
9	311		718	652	136	19	173									
10	656	6	3331	2342	391		179									
11	1047	9	6613	3193	465	325	367									
12	106	2	477	375	360	12	23									
13	265		917	722	722	15	76									
14	316	3	443	397	230	38	206									
15	250		2113	2665	77	45	143									
16	**40				**33											
17	216		5052	2438	195		43									
18	314	5	3925	1862	209	17	220									
19	79	15	278	527	95	3	56									
20	77		320	416	23	6	23									
21	229	10	1966	1394	182	12	16									
22	304		2684	1309	1230		139									
23	171		1371	970	76	16	187									
24	(6120)	(68)	(39806)	(28294)	(5244)	(547)	(3115)									
25																
26	3239		3321	1384	6865	13459	6555									
27	*64															
28	1557	41	147	881	118	1800	1191									
29	97	4	387	1461	881	1841	421									
30	1463	6	2887	1088	1044	3577	1301									
31	6135	101	2094	7654	15561	14200	2102									
32	3754	43	1623	7439	4843	6758	725									
33	834	21	1088	1016	2926	2311	1052									
34	*1530		*1190	*1373	*1296	*1512	*1095									
35	1084				3583	4790	2565									
36	1860	50			1080	1628	1079									
37	165	10	1026	749	354	442	940									
38	237			583	239	87	72	398		1			3058	7833	235	301
39	(22894)	(182)	(14308)	(24606)	(41189)	(51595)	(18838)	(111622)	(1)	(4)	(100)		(4258)	(9533)	(325)	(301)
40																
41	264	9	84	2614	147	29				1					81	
42	104	2		700	122		21									
43	123	8		1005	102											
44	(491)	(19)	(84)	(4319)	(371)	(29)	(21)									
45																
46	226	2	1739	912	17											
47	97	6	631	1059	175											
48	72			192	117		2	132	1	0	23		8287		478	
49	61	7		561	48	10		58		2	19	8841	11 1	681	312	
50	712	64		372	1002	128	67	2185	1	1				677	522	
51	212	1	1278	983	126	7	3	435		1			2679	400	544	
52	(13801)	(586)	(36431)	(36 7)	(2477)	144	1385	(3007)	(2)	(6)	(40)	(8442)	(18940)	(2594)	(1853)	
53																
54	158	18	348	365	47	8	26	81		1						
55	286	6	347		18		1	206								
56	98	4		320	2	7	7	34	1		11	4971	5430	367	20	
57	(542)	(28)	(6051)	(688)	(684)	(347)	(111)	(1122)	(1)	(1)	(11)	(4971)	(5430)	(367)	(20)	
58																
59	141	4	705		157		284	892								
60	617		3875	3268	388		283									
61					133			788								
62																
63					†1195		†92	†1292								
64	†98				‡663			‡663								
65	118	2	1297	1187	440	3	62	505								
66	(216)	(2)	(1297)	(1187)	(2301)	(3)	(154)	(2458)								
67																
68	33527	550	$76781	$73836	$52848	$52743	$23695	$129286	4	12	151	18146	33003	$3286	$2354	

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Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Missionaries						Native Workers							
		Men Ordained	Men Unordained	Wives	Single Women	Physicians, Men and Women	Total Missionaries	Preachers		Teachers		Bible Women	Medical Assistants	
								Ordained	Unordained	Men	Women		Men	Women
69	Jorhat Christian Schools	1	..	1	...	....	2	....	.....	*5	.....	....	....	....
70	Assamese (c)													
71	Garos													
72	Tura	3	1	3	3	(1)	10	*5	*18	*137	*2	*2	*8	*1
73	Goalpara (d)	....	..	..	...	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	...	....	....
74	Gauhati (f)	4	....	3	2	....	9	1	11	20	.....	1	....	....
75	Totals, Garos	(7)	(1)	(6)	(5)	(1)	(19)	(6)	(29)	(157)	(2)	(3)	(8)	(1)
76	Rabhas													
77	Goalpara	1	...	..	...	...	1	.. .	3	5	.....	....	....	....
78	Nagas													
79	Impur	2	...	2	...	(1)	4	.....	*(11)	*13	*2	*(1)	....	....
80	Kohima	2	....	2	....	(1)	4	.....	4	7	.....	....	....	....
81	Ukhrul	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	6	10	.....	....	(1)	....
82	Totals, Nagas	(5)	....	(5)	....	(2)	(10)	.....	(13)	(30)	(2)	....	....	....
83	Immigrant Peoples													
84	Sibsagor (f)	1	...	1	..	...	2	1	10	7	.....	....	....	....
85	Nowgong (f)	1	....	....	4	....	5	.....	†8	†17	†3	†2	....	....
86	North Lakhimpur	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	18	6	1	....	....	....
87	Golaghat (f)	2	....	1	...	...	3	1	17	11	.....	....	....	....
88	Jorhat	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
89	Sadiya	(1)	...	...	...	....	(1)	....	5	2	.....	....	2	....
90	Totals, Immigrant Peoples	(5)	....	(3)	(4)	....	(12)	(3)	(58)	(43)	(4)	(2)	(2)	....
91	Mikirs													
92	Tika	1	....	1	....	...	2	.....	†6	†4	.....	....	....	....
93	Golaghat (g)	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
94	Totals, Mikirs	(1)	....	(1)	....	..	(2)	.....	(6)	(4)	.....	....	....	....
95	Abors and Miris													
96	Sadiya	(1)	..	...	....	...	(1)	.....	*2	.....	.....	....	....	....
97	Missionaries at Home	9	1	13	....	(1)	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
98	Totals for Assam	29	2	29	9	(4)	69	9	108	244	8	5	10	1

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99	Telugus													
100	Ramapatnam Theological Seminary	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	.....	8	3	....	....	....
101	Nellore	2	....	2	5	(2)	9	3	5	42	8	16	....	1
102	Ongole	1	1	2	5	(1)	9	9	61	151	106	65	....	....
103	Ramapatnam	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	5	.....	.....	9	....	1
104	Allur	1	....	1	....	....	2	2	8	17	4	6	....	....
105	Secunderabad	1	....	1	1	(1)	3	1	4	7	6	5	....	....
106	Kurnool	2	....	2	....	....	4	.....	14	50	18	3	....	....
107	Madras	1	1	1	2	....	5	2	9	10	20	10	....	....
108	English Church	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
109	Hanumakonda	1	....	1	....	(1)	2	1	9	3	9	....	9	4
110	Cumbum	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	9	34	28	7	1	....
111	Vinukonda	1	....	1	1	....	3	5	8	13	14	3	....	....
112	Narsaravupet	1	....	1	1	....	3	4	11	26	15	2	....	....
113	Bapatla	1	....	1	....	....	2	5	17	40	23	13	....	....
114	Udayagiri	1	....	1	....	(1)	2	3	2	6	3	3	1	4
115	Palmur	1	....	1	2	(1)	4	2	15	13	12	1	....	....
116	Nalgonda	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	.....	36	5	2	13	1	5
117	Kanigiri	1	....	....	....	....	1	3	13	57	35	10	....	....
118	Kavali	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	1	18	13	3	....	2
119	Kandukuru	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	.....	5	2	2	....	....	....
120	Atmakur	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	6	2	1	5	....	....
121	Podili	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	.....	15	16	17	....	....	....
122	Sattenapalle	1	....	1	1	....	3	1	6	16	1	....	....	....
123	Markapur	1	....	1	1	(1)	3	2	10	31	3	5	1	1
124	Gurzalla	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	.....	*9	*6	*3	*3	....	....
125	Sooriapett	1	....	1	1	....	3	1	26	8	7	5	2	6
126	Jangaon	1	....	1	....	....	2	*10	*4	*4	*1	*7	....	....
127	Donakonda	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	.....	15	17	22	6	....	....
128	Gadval	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	6	5	.....	1	....	....
129	Nandyal	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	5	6	3	4	....	....
130	Madira	1	....	....	....	....	1	1	12	15	7	3	....	....
131	Missionaries at Home	13	....	16	6	(1)	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
132	Totals for South India	40	2	42	27	(9)	111	58	346	628	386	208	15	24

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Name of Field	Native Workers: Ordained Men	Native Workers: Unordained Men	Native Workers: Total Native Workers	Church Statistics: Organized Churches	Churches Entirely Self-Supporting	Church Buildings and Chapels	Total Places for Regular Meetings	Church Members: Male	Church Members: Female	Church Members: Total Church Members	Added by Baptism during Year	Sunday Schools	Total Enrolled Sunday School Membership	Educational Statistics: Theological Seminaries and Training Schools	Pupils in Theological Seminaries and Training Schools: Men	Pupils in Theological Seminaries and Training Schools: Women	Colleges	Pupils in Colleges
				*(12)	*113	*113			*5777		*112	*5205						
				(11)	25	11			1316	331	17							
				(23)	(135)	(124)			(7073)	(331)	(129)	(5205)						
					7	9			155	30	2	45						
				*(14)			*1000	*300	*1060									
						5	92	59	151	20	1	120						
	1			(1)		1	45	16	61	20	7	237						
		(27)		(15)		(6)			(2172)	(40)	(8)	(306)						
				(8)	18	31			1423	115	11							
					†6	†10			†620		†7	†160						
				(1)	15	22	302	292	594	64	12	570						
				(10)	20				1340	150	16							
				*(1)		*1	*30	*26	*56		*1	*55						
					2	4	52	33	85	9	1	55						
				†(2)	†3	†5			†170		†2	†90						
				(2)	(3)	(5)			(170)		(2)	(90)						

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Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Educational Statistics										
		High Schools	Pupils in High Schools		Secondary Schools (other than High Schools)	Pupils in Secondary Schools		Primary Schools	Pupils in Primary Schools		Total Number of Schools of all Grades	Schools Entirely Self-Supporting
			Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		
69	Jorhat Christian Schools	*(1)	*3	....	*(1)	*50	.....	.....	.....	.....	*1	.....
70	Assamese (c)											
71	Garos											
72	Tura	.....	.....	....	*1	*319	*59	*120	*1962	*739	*121	.....
73	Goalpara (d)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
74	Gauhati (f)	.....	.....	....	1	11	.....	23	388	150	24	(22)
75	Totals, Garos	.....	.....	....	(2)	(330)	(59)	(143)	(2350)	(889)	(145)	(22)
76	Rabhas											
77	Goalpara	.....	.....	....	1	11	.....	5	79	1	6	.....
78	Nagas											
79	Impur	.....	.....	....	*1	*52	*9	*11	*135	*59	*12	*(1)
80	Kohima	.....	.....	....	1	119	10	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
81	Ukhrul	.....	.....	....	1	66	.....	6	109	7	7	.....
82	Totals, Nagas	.....	.....	....	(3)	(237)	(19)	(17)	(244)	(66)	(20)	(1)
83	Immigrant Peoples											
84	Sibsagor (f)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	6	108	12	6	.....
85	Nowgong (f)	.....	.....	....	†1	†20	†110	†19	†318	†31	†20	.....
86	North Lakhimpur	.....	.....	....	1	15	15	6	98	32	7	(1)
87	Golaghat (f)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	10	219	125	10	.....
88	Jorhat	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
89	Sadiya	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	2	22	6	2	.....
90	Totals, Immigrant Peoples	.....	.....	....	(2)	(35)	(125)	(43)	(765)	(206)	(45)	(1)
91	Mikirs											
92	Tika	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	†8	†118	†40	†8	.....
93	Golaghat (g)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
94	Totals, Mikirs	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	(8)	(118)	(40)	(8)	.....
95	Abors and Miris											
96	Sadiya	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
97	Missionaries at Home	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
98	Totals for Assam	.....	3	....	8	663	203	216	3556	1202	225	(25)

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99	Telugus											
100	Ramapatnam Theological Seminary	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
101	Nellore	2	429	66	1	.....	64	14	300	207	18	(1)
102	Ongole	1	346	....	....	.....	.....	149	3004	1530	151	(2)
103	Ramapatnam	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	6	94	63	6	.....
104	Allur	.....	.....	....	1	135	4	11	235	75	12	.....
105	Secunderabad	.....	.....	....	1	56	34	4	104	16	5	.....
106	Kurnool	1	386	1	....	.....	.....	36	726	407	37	(10)
107	Madras	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	9	170	422	9	(1)
108	English Church	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
109	Hanumakonda	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	12	100	35	12	.....
110	Cumbum	.....	.....	....	1	117	26	44	483	174	45	.....
111	Vinukonda	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	29	426	226	29	(3)
112	Narsaravupet	.....	.....	....	1	64	10	39	666	346	40	.....
113	Bapatla	.....	.....	....	1	262	4	73	1145	577	75	.....
114	Udayagiri	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	5	120	35	5	.....
115	Palmur	.....	.....	....	1	29	7	17	270	86	18	.....
116	Nalgonda	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1	80	50	1	.....
117	Kanigiri	.....	.....	....	1	80	.....	85	1090	617	86	(20)
118	Kavali	.....	.....	....	1	124	91	12	307	56	13	.....
119	Kandukuru	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	3	95	20	3	(3)
120	Atmakur	.....	.....	....	1	6	2	4	100	21	5	.....
121	Podili	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	32	527	142	32	.....
122	Sattenapalle	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	17	293	150	17	(7)
123	Markapur	.....	.....	....	1	24	9	30	659	146	31	(30)
124	Gurzalla	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	*14	*350	*50	*14	.....
125	Sooriapett	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1	100	70	1	.....
126	Jangaon	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	*1	*31	*24	*1	.....
127	Donakonda	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	42	731	296	42	(2)
128	Gadval	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	5	30	20	5	.....
129	Nandyal	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	9	105	45	9	.....
130	Madira	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	25	357	144	25	(2)
131	Missionaries at Home	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
132	Totals for South India	4	1161	67	11	897	251	729	12698	6050	748	(81)

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No.	Educational Statistics				Native Contributions				Medical Summary						
	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Government Grants to Schools	For Ch. Expenses, Support of Pastors and Other Workers	For Education (Not Including Fees of Pupils)	For Missions and Other Benevolences	Total Native Contributions	Number of Hospitals	Number of Dispensaries	Number of In-Patients	Number of Out-Patients	Total Number of Treatments	Total Expenses Including Assistants	Receipts in Fees
72	*3079	*231	.....	*$1036	*$576	*$986	*$277	*$1830	*1	*2	*22	*9483	*10995	*$1469	*$329
74	549	2	1	744	142	205	148	495	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
75	(3628)	(233)	(1)	(1780)	(718)	(1191)	(425)	(2334)	(1)	(2)	(22)	(9483)	(10995)	(1469)	(329)
	[illegible]														
	[illegible]	.....	.....	*407	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	*1	*40	*660	*1000	*136	*154
	[illegible]														
	[illegible]	11	.....	1163	94	.....	5	102	...	1	4	1341	2783	27	38
	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	(5)	(105)	...	(3)	(44)	(2001)	(3783)	(272)	(201)
	[illegible]														
	[illegible]														
	[illegible]													

THE BENGAL-ORISSA MISSION — Table 1

Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Missionaries						Native Workers						
								Preachers		Teachers			Medical Assistants	
		Men Ordained	Men Unordained	Wives	Single Women	Physicians, Men and Women	Total Missionaries	Ordained	Unordained	Men	Women	Bible Women	Men	Women
133	Bengalis													
134	Contai	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	1	2	19	1	....	1	....
135	Kharagpur	2	....	2	....	....	4	1	3	.....	1	2	....	....
136	Midnapore	2	....	2	4	(1)	8	3	8	19	18	2	1	....
137	Totals, Bengalis	(4)	....	(4)	(4)	(1)	(12)	(5)	(13)	(38)	(20)	(4)	(2)	....
138	Oriyas													
139	Balasore (i)	2	....	2	3	....	7	4	7	36	39	15	....	....
140	Bhadrak (h)	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
141	Chandbali	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	....	4	15	3	1	....	....
142	Jellasore	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	....	†5	.....	.....	‡2	....	....
143	Santipore	....	....	....	2	(1)	2	*2	*4	*38	*8	*10	....	....
144	Totals, Oriyas	(2)	....	(2)	(5)	(1)	(9)	(6)	(20)	(89)	(50)	(28)	....	....
145	Santals													
146	Bhimpore	1	....	1	....	(1)	2	3	7	72	5	6	2	....
147	Missionaries at Home	2	....	2	3	....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
148	Totals for Bengal	9	....	9	12	(3)	30	14	40	199	75	38	4	....

THE CHINA MISSION — Table 1

149	Chinese													
150	(South)													
151	Ashmore Theological Seminary	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
152	Swatow (k)	4	....	4	5	....	13	3	12	32	22	4	2	....
153	Kaying	3	....	3	2	....	8	.....	8	15	1	4	.....	.....
154	Ungkung	1	....	1	....	....	2	1	18	6	9	4	....	1
155	Chaochowfu	1	....	1	....	(1)	2	1	3	.....	3	2	.....	.....
156	Kityang	1	....	....	1	(1)	2	6	13	27	4	5	1	6
157	Chaoyang	1	1	2	....	(2)	4	.....	6	15	2	1	1	....
158	Hopo	1	....	1	....	....	2	.....	8	8	.....	.....	.....	.....
159	Canton	....	1	....	....	(1)	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
160	Totals, South China	(13)	(2)	(13)	(8)	(5)	(36)	(11)	(68)	(103)	(41)	(20)	(4)	(7)
161	(East)													
162	University of Nanking	1	1	2	2	(1)	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
163	Shanghai Baptist College and Theological Seminary	3	3	6	1	(1)	13	.....	.....	15	1	....	.....	.....
164	Ningpo	3	1	4	4	(1)	12	3	12	15	11	6	9	3
165	Shaohsing	1	2	2	3	(2)	8	1	8	7	4	2	5	3
166	Kinhwa	1	1	2	3	(1)	7	.....	5	8	2	5	3	1
167	Huchow	2	1	3	1	(2)	7	1	12	17	5	....	1	....
168	Hangchow	2	1	3	2	....	8	1	7	(j)18	(j)12	2	....	....
169	Shanghai	1	1	2	....	....	4	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
170	Totals, East China	(14)	(11)	(24)	(16)	(8)	(65)	(9)	(44)	(80)	(35)	(15)	(18)	(7)
171	(West)													
172	West China Union University	2	1	3	....	(1)	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
173	Suifu	2	2	4	2	(2)	10	3	.....	7	2	1	4	....
174	Kiatingfu	1	....	1	1	(1)	3	.....	9	(9)	1	3	.....	.....
175	Yachowfu	2	2	4	2	(1)	10	.....	6	14	.....	.....	9	....
176	Ningyuanfu	2	1	3	....	(1)	6	.....	5	4	1	.....	.....	....
177	Chengtu	1	....	1	1	....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
178	Undesignated Missionaries	2	....	2	....	....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
179	Totals, West China	(12)	(6)	(18)	(6)	(6)	(42)	(3)	(20)	(25)	(4)	(4)	(13)	....
180	(Central)													
181	Hanyang	1	....	1	3	(1)	5	1	7	6	4	1	....	6
182	Missionaries at Home	6	4	9	9	(2)	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
183	Totals for China	46	23	65	42	(22)	176	24	139	214	84	40	35	20

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Church Statistics																Educational Statistics				
							Church Members													
																	Pupils in Theological Seminaries and Training Schools			

THE BENGAL-ORISSA MISSION — Table 3

Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Educational Statistics										
		High Schools	Pupils in High Schools		Secondary Schools (other than High Schools)	Pupils in Secondary Schools		Primary Schools	Pupils in Primary Schools		Total Number of Schools of all Grades	Schools Entirely Self-Supporting
			Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		
133	Bengalis											
134	Contai	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	18	320	67	18	.....
135	Kharagpur	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
136	Midnapore	.....	.....	....	2	98	43	26	456	280	28	.....
137	Totals, Bengalis	.....	.....	....	(2)	(98)	(43)	(44)	(776)	(347)	(46)	.....
138	Oriyas											
139	Balasore (i)	1	240	....	2	23	40	20	266	535	23	.....
140	Bhadrak (h)	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
141	Chandbali	.....	.....	....	1	75	.....	13	195	35	14	.....
142	Jellasore	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	‡4	‡42	‡56	‡4	.....
143	Santipore	.....	.....	....	*1	*44	*5	*26	*482	*257	*27	.....
144	Totals, Oriyas	(1)	(240)	....	(4)	(142)	(45)	(63)	(985)	(883)	(68)	.....
145	Santals											
146	Bhimpore	.....	.....	....	2	136	64	60	1440	130	62	.....
147	Missionaries at Home	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
148	Totals for Bengal	1	240	....	8	376	152	167	3201	1360	176	.....

THE CHINA MISSION — Table 3

149	Chinese											
150	(South)											
151	Ashmore Theological Seminary	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
152	Swatow (k)	1	48	....	1	43	.....	23	392	284	26	1
153	Kaying	.....	.....	....	4	114	24	5	189	6	9	.....
154	Ungkung	.....	.....	....	3	28	3	16	228	97	19	(3)
155	Chaochowfu	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	2	10	38	2	.....
156	Kityang	.....	.....	....	1	95	.....	21	477	63	22	.....
157	Chaoyang	.....	.....	....	1	52	.....	15	278	27	16	(3)
158	Hopo	.....	.....	....	1	23	....	9	200	22	11	.....
159	Canton	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
160	Totals, South China	(1)	(48)	....	(11)	(355)	(27)	(91)	(1774)	(537)	(106)	(7)
161	(East)											
162	University of Nanking	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
163	Shanghai Baptist College and Theological Seminary	(1)	70	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
164	Ningpo	2	20	11	(2)	65	29	11	238	105	14	(1)
165	Shaohsing	.....	.....	....	2	19	31	8	133	46	10	.....
166	Kinhwa	.....	.....	....	2	72	38	3	67	16	6	.....
167	Huchow	.....	.....	....	2	42	33	8	102	100	10	.....
168	Hangchow	(j)2	45	(j)21	(j)2	50	(j)65	(j)8	105	(j)185	(j)10	.....
169	Shanghai	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	5	130	.....	5	(2)
170	Totals, East China	(4)	(135)	(32)	(6)	(248)	(196)	(43)	(775)	(452)	(58)	(3)
171	(West)											
172	West China Union University	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
173	Suifu	1	19	....	1	.....	31	3	49	51	5	.....
174	Kiatingfu	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	5	118	31	5	.....
175	Yachowfu	.....	.....	....	1	49	.....	6	194	49	7	.....
176	Ningyuanfu	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	3	100	27	3	.....
177	Chengtu	1	27	....	.....	.....	.....	1	45	15	3	.....
178	Undesignated Missionaries	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
179	Totals, West China	(2)	(46)	....	(2)	(49)	(31)	(18)	(506)	(173)	(24)	.....
180	(Central)											
181	Hanyang	.....	.....	....	1	.....	55	7	138	36	8	.....
182	Missionaries at Home	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
183	Totals for China	7	229	32	20	652	309	159	3193	1198	196	(10)

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THE BENGAL-ORISSA MISSION — Table 4

	Educational Statistics				Native Contributions				Medical Summary							
	Number of Pupils Enrolled with Church during Year	Pupils Under Instruction at End of Year	Fees Paid by Pupils	Government Grants to Schools	For Ch. Expenses, Support of Pastors and Other Workers	For Education (Not Including Fees of Pupils)	For Missions and Other Benevolences	Total Native Contributions	Number of Hospitals	Number of Dispensaries	Number of In-Patients	Number of Out-Patients	Total Number of Treatments	Total Expenses Including Assistants	Receipts in Fees	
149																
150																
151	15															
152	836	6	$1448			$385	$362	$1737	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
153	388	14	138	41	111	2	17	150	...	2	.....	3261	4601	$4	$107	
154	330	18	226		164	.....	273	1057	...	1	.....	647	.....	.....	165	
155	42		19		21	.....	8	320	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	
156	938	1	1288		14	.....	543	2557	1	1	448	2330	19232	1808	685	
157	382	2	442	..	61	32	106	502	...	...	.....	3232	3786	1219	456	
158	284	14	136	..	191	.....	9	206								
159	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
160	(2887)	(61)	(4188)	(64)	4722	(419)	(1318)	(6529)	(1)	(4)	(448)	(9470)	(27619)	(3031)	(1413)	
161																
162	.....	...	..	.								...		..	.....	
163																
	175	.....	.....	..												
164	522	18	2[illegible]6	..	87	.....	56	428	1	1	982	10252	11234	[illegible]82	4[illegible]11	
165	229	3	166		61	.....	34	96	1	...	178	.....	11457	2113	1620	
166	198	....	695	..	36	.	15	51	1	1	16	1122	2716	557	173	
167	277	3	[illegible]		281		139	420	1	...	175	9200	9640	1050	650	
168	j)171	(j)38	3777		82	.....	63	152	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
169	130	30	3614	.....	569	.....	42	611	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
170	[illegible]	(82)	(11823)	.....	(1400)	.....	(340)	(1758)	(4)	(2)	(1351)	(20574)	(35047)	(8802)	(6454)	
171																
172	5	...	...	...	.	.										
173	180	9	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	20	1	2	532	2266	12270	2233	1179	
174	147	11	44	9	81	4	29	82	...	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
175	292	11	119	.....	72	.....	212	284	1	1	421	302	19963	637	630	
176	127	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	1	118	.....	5500	.....	63	
177	92	0	308	..	.											
178	.....	...	.....	...	.											
179	(815)	(49)	(471	(9)	(443	(21)	(241)	(386)	(2)	(5)	(1071)	(2568)	(37733)	(2870)	(1872)	
180																
181	229	17	108	.....	54	.....	38	92	1	...	110	2501	11391	1414	732	
182	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	. .	..		.				.		.....	.....	
183	5851	202	$16625	$72	$6398	$421	$1946	$8765	8	11	2980	35113	111790	$16117	$10471	

THE CHINA MISSION — Table 4

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THE JAPAN MISSION—Table 1

Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Missionaries						Native Workers						
		Men Ordained	Men Unordained	Wives	Single Women	Physicians, Men and Women	Total Missionaries	Preachers		Teachers		Bible Women	Medical Assistants	
								Ordained	Unordained	Men	Women		Men	Women
184	Japanese													
185	Japan Baptist Theological Seminary	1	....	1	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
186	Duncan Baptist Academy	1	1	2	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
187	Yokohama	2	....	2	3	....	7	3	3	8	12	5	....	....
188	Tokyo	2	....	1	6	....	9	7	....	29	22	5	....	....
189	Kobe	1	....	1	....	....	2	3	6	....	7	6	....	....
190	Sendai	1	....	1	2	....	4	2	5	7	5	5	....	....
191	Morioka (inc. Otaru)	1	1	1	1	....	4	....	9	....	5	1	....	....
192	Mito	1	....	1	....	....	2	2	7	....	....	1	....	....
193	Osaka	2	....	1	2	....	5	3	2	4	3	3	....	....
194	Inland Sea	....	1	1	....	....	2	1	4	....	....	4	....	....
195	Himeji	1	....	1	2	....	4	1	3	4	6	3	....	....
196	Kyoto	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	....	1	....	....	....	....	....
197	Missionaries at Home	5	1	8	3	....	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
198	Totals for Japan	18	4	21	19	..	62	22	40	52	60	33	....	....

THE CONGO MISSION—Table 1

199	Africans													
200	(Lower Congo District)													
201	Congo Evang. Training Institution	1	....	1	1	(1)	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
202	Palabala	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	12	....	2	2	....	....
203	Banza Manteke	2	1	2	1	(1)	6	*6	*62	*(62)	*7	*(7)	*1	....
204	Lukunga	1	....	1	....	....	2	....	21	1	....	....	....	....
205	Mukimvika	....	1	....	....	(1)	1	....	*1	*1	....	....	*2	....
206	Sona Bata	2	1	2	....	(1)	5	....	16	26	1	1	3	....
207	Matadi	1	....	1	....	....	2	....	3	1	....	....	....	....
208	Kimpesi	(1)	....	....	....	....	(1)	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
209	(Upper Congo District)													
210	Tshumbiri	1	....	1	....	....	2	....	14	19	2	....	....	....
211	Ikoko	4	....	3	....	(1)	7	....	50	4	....	1	3	....
212	Vanga	2	....	2	....	....	4	....	2	2	....	....	1	....
213	Missionaries at Home	3	2	6	1	(1)	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
214	Totals for Congo	18	5	19	3	(6)	45	6	181	54	12	4	10	....

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS MISSION—Table 1

215	Visayans													
216	Jaro Industrial School	1	1	2	2	....	6	....	6	17	....	....	....	....
217	Iloilo	2	....	1	7	....	10	4	8	....	....	14	....	....
218	Bacolod	1	....	1	1	....	3	9	10	3	4	4	1	1
219	Capiz	2	....	2	1	(1)	5	2	7	2	2	8	2	7
220	Missionaries at Home	2	1	2	2	(1)	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
221	Totals for Philippine Islands	8	2	8	13	(2)	31	15	31	22	6	26	3	8

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THE JAPAN MISSION — Table 2

CONGO MISSION — Table 2

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS MISSION — Table 2

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THE JAPAN MISSION—Table 3

	Work and Stations	Number of Lines	Educational Statistics											
			High Schools	Pupils in High Schools		Secondary Schools (other than High Schools)	Pupils in Secondary Schools		Primary Schools	Pupils in Primary Schools		Total Number of Schools of all Grades	Schools Entirely Self-Supporting
				Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		
184	Japanese												
185	Japan Baptist Theological Seminary		....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
186	Duncan Baptist Academy		1	105	.	..	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
187	Yokohama		1	.	102	(1) 2	(1) 308	.....	1	59	.....	(1) 5	.....
188	Tokyo		1	....	54	(1) 3	(1) 67	(1) 68	6	102	127	(1) 11	.....
189	Kobe		...	....	..	...	.....	.....	3	94	114	3	.....
190	Sendai		1	...	80	.	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	1	.....
191	Morioka (inc. Otaru)		....	....	..	...	.....	.....	1	33	40	1	.....
192	Mito		...	.....	.	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
193	Osaka		...	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
194	Inland Sea		...	.....	..	...	.....	.....	3	50	70	3	.....
195	Himeji		...	.....	...	1	.....	83	...	.....	.....	1	.....
196	Kyoto		.....	....	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
197	Missionaries at Home		.	...	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....
198	Totals for Japan		4	105	236	6	375	151	14	338	351	28	....

THE CONGO MISSION—Table 3

199	Africans												
200	(Lower Congo District)												
201	Congo Evang. Training Institution		.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
202	Palabala		.....	.....	....	1	9	6	10	365	482	11	(1)
203	Banza Manteke		.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	*68	*1471	*1773	*68	.....
204	Lukunga		.....	.....	....	1	52	18	15	162	143	16	(9)
205	Mukimvika		.....	.....	....	*1	*7	.....	*(1)	*24	*4	*1	.....
206	Sona Bata		.....	.....	....	1	59	19	33	198	152	35	(6)
207	Matadi		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	37	22	4	.....
208	Kimpesi		.....	.....	...	1	8	.....	1	20	15	2	.....
209	(Upper Congo District)												
210	Tshumbiri		.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	11	277	120	12	(10)
211	Ikoko		.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	35	570	630	35	(8)
212	Vanga		.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	2	130	.....	2	.....
213	Missionaries at Home		.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
214	Totals for Congo		.....	.....	....	5	135	43	179	3254	3341	187	(34)

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS MISSION—Table 3

215	Visayans												
216	Jaro Industrial School		.....	(1) 25	...	1	111	.....	(7)	183	92	1	.....
217	Iloilo		.....	.....	....	*1	.....	*8	*2	*80	*100	*4	.....
218	Bacolod		....	.....	....	(1) 2	(1) 40	(1) 22	2	52	55	(1) 4	(4)
219	Capiz		.....	.....	....	1	26	44	1	40	38	2	(1)
220	Missionaries at Home		.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
221	Totals for Philippine Islands		....	25	....	5	177	74	5	355	285	11	(5)

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THE JAPAN MISSION—Table 4

	Educational Statistics				Native Contributions				Medical Summary							
	Total Number of Pupils in Christian Day Schools	Total Number of Pupils in Other Christian Schools	Total Number of Pupils in Non-Christian Schools	Government Grants to Schools	For Ch. Expenses, Support of Pastors and Other Workers	For Education (Not Including Fees of Pupils)	For Missions and Other Benevolences	Total Native Contributions	Number of Hospitals	Number of Dispensaries	Number of In-Patients	Number of Out-Patients	Total Number of Treatments	Total Expenses Including Assistants	Receipts in Fees
1					$470	.....	$30	$500							
2					1035	.....	69	1104							
3					237	.....	.....	237							
4					405	$2	50	461							
5					306	.....	6	312							
6					110	.....	125	235							
7					397	.....	32	429							
8					140	.....	.....	140							
9					191	.....	31	222							
10					102	.....	.....	102							
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THE CONGO MISSION—Table 4

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SUMMARY OF STATISTICS — Table 1

Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Missionaries						Native Workers							
		Men Ordained	Men Unordained	Wives	Single Women	Physicians, Men and Women	Total Missionaries	Preachers		Teachers		Bible Women	Medical Assistants	
								Ordained	Unordained	Men	Women		Men	Women
222	Totals for Burma	56	11	63	58	(8)	188	260	721	763	411	69	6	2
223	Totals for Assam	29	2	29	9	(4)	69	9	108	244	8	5	10	1
224	Totals for South India	40	2	42	27	(9)	111	58	346	628	386	208	15	24
225	Totals for Bengal	9	..	9	12	(3)	30	14	40	199	75	38	4	....
226	Totals for China	46	23	65	42	(22)	176	24	139	214	84	40	35	20
227	Totals for Japan	18	4	21	19	....	62	22	40	52	60	33	....	....
228	Totals for Congo	18	5	19	3	(6)	45	6	181	54	12	4	10	....
229	Totals for Philippine Islands	8	2	8	13	(2)	31	15	31	22	6	26	3	8
230	Totals, Heathen Lands, 1914	224	49	256	183	(54)	712	408	1606	2176	1042	423	83	55
231	Do. for 1913	228	46	253	174	(58)	701	365	1624	2153	1053	406	83	61
232	Do. for 1912 (p)	271		255	171	(52)	697	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
233	Do. for 1911 (p)	274		259	189	(54)	722	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
234	Do. for 1910 (p)	262		247	163	(48)	672	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
235	Do. for 1909 (p)	253		238	149	(42)	640	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
236	Europe, 1914 (m)	....	..	....	....	....	....	.....	2480	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
237	Totals, Europe and Heathen Lands, 1914	224	49	256	183	(54)	712	408	4086	2176	1042	423	83	55
238	Do. for 1913	228	46	253	174	(58)	701	365	4107	2153	1053	406	83	61
239	Do. for 1912 (p)	271		255	171	(52)	697	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
240	Do. for 1911 (p)	274		259	189	(54)	722	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
241	Do. for 1910 (p)	262		247	163	(48)	672	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
242	Do. for 1909 (p)	253		238	149	(42)	640	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS — Table 3

Number of Lines	Work and Stations	Educational Statistics										
		High Schools	Pupils in High Schools		Secondary Schools (other than High Schools)	Pupils in Secondary Schools		Primary Schools	Pupils in Primary Schools		Total Number of Schools of all Grades	Schools Entirely Self-Supporting
			Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls		
222	Totals for Burma	4	1872	222	48	4592	1878	744	14289	10271	801	(554)
223	Totals for Assam	.....	3	....	8	663	203	216	3556	1202	225	(25)
224	Totals for South India	4	1161	67	11	897	251	729	12698	6050	748	(81)
225	Totals for Bengal	1	240	....	8	376	152	167	3201	1360	176	.....
226	Totals for China	7	229	32	20	652	309	159	3193	1198	196	(10)
227	Totals for Japan	4	105	236	6	375	151	14	338	351	28	.....
228	Totals for Congo	.....	.....	....	5	135	43	179	3254	3341	187	(34)
229	Totals for Philippine Islands	.....	25	....	5	177	74	5	355	285	11	(5)
230	Totals, Heathen Lands, 1914	20	3635	557	111	7867	3061	2213	40884	24058	2372	(709)
231	Do. for 1913	18	3187	489	98	7634	3883	2092	36482	21204	2234	(717)
232	Do. for 1912 (p)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	2019	34577	19394	2174	.....
233	Do. for 1911 (p)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1982	33026	16775	2127	.....
234	Do. for 1910 (p)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1828	30914	15059	1961	.....
235	Do. for 1909 (p)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1771	29012	15574	1898	.....
236	Europe, 1914 (m)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
237	Totals, Europe and Heathen Lands, 1914	20	3635	557	111	7867	3061	2213	40884	24058	2378	(709)
238	Do. for 1913	18	3187	489	98	7634	3083	2092	36482	21204	2240	(717)
239	Do. for 1912 (p)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	2019	34577	19394	2180	.....
240	Do. for 1911 (p)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1982	33026	16775	2133	.....
241	Do. for 1910 (p)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1828	30914	15059	1965	.....
242	Do. for 1909 (p)	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1771	29012	15574	1902	.....

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SUMMARY OF STATISTICS — Table 2

Number of Line	Native Workers			Church Statistics									Educational Statistics				
	Ordained Native Workers	Unordained Native Workers	Total Native Workers	Total Organized Churches	Churches Entirely Self-Supporting	Church Buildings and Chapels	Total Places for Regular Meetings	Church Members: Male	Church Members: Female	Church Members: (c) Total Church Members	Added by Baptism during Year	Sunday Schools	Total Enrolled Sunday School Membership	Theological Seminaries and Training Schools	Pupils in Theological Seminaries and Training Schools: Men	Pupils in Theological Seminaries and Training Schools: Women	Colleges	Pupils in Colleges
				1031	(720)	1087	1154	....	....	65762	3549	643	26784	3				
				143	(60)	218	212	....	....	13694	754	180	6549	1				
				164	(28)	363	888	....	....	69990	3357	686	18206	4				
				21	(4)	19	25	....	....	1617	74	65	2613	....				
				162	(30)	242	271	....	....	7085	740	177	8046	8				
				31	(3)	24	164	....	....	3920	399	208	12619	3				
				21	(8)	133	186	....	....	4424	189	104	5452	3				
				73	(11)	50	131	....	....	4186	123	105	4968	1				
				1646	(873)	2136	3031	....	....	172778	9185	2177	85237					
				1575	(908)	2080	2975	....	....	166330	10575	1970	80402					
				1493	(827)	.....	2840	....	....	159920	10040	1882	71866					
				1434	(838)	.....	2742	....	....	156897	9371	1835	67897					
				1391	(837)	.....	2873	....	....	151901	8557	1591	65071					
235	.....	....	4971	1384	(883)	.....	2801	....	....	153103	8252	1572	59262					
				1105	(212)	.....	1783	....	....	141803	5405	2487	131749					
237	198	63	8534	2841	(1085)	2136	4814	....	....	314071	14590	4664	216986	29	594	385	5	170
				2757	(1113)	2080	4799	....	....	305600	13560	4401	199842	29	583	407	3	143
				2666	(1032)	.....	4672	....	....	298211	17155	4260	188778	36	1217	493	2	110
				2589	(1028)	.....	4594	....	....	290348	16924	4188	182549	32	1203	407	2	86
				2513	(1017)	.....	4678	....	....	279731	16114	3790	174735	27	1145	392	3	69
242	.....	...	7164	2509	(1062)	.....	4571	....	....	280378	15869	3753	167007	28	1083	325	3	71

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS — Table 4

Number of Lines	Educational Statistics				Native Contributions				Medical Summary						
	Total Number under Instruction in this Field	Pupils United with Church during Year	Fees Paid by Pupils	Government Grants to Schools	For Ch. Expenses, Support of Pastors and Other Workers	For Education (Not Including Fees of Pupils)	For Missions and Other Benevolences	Total Native Contributions	Number of Hospitals	Number of Dispensaries	Number of In-Patients	Number of Out-Patients	Total Number of Treatments	Total Expenses Including Assistants	Receipts in Fees
					$52848	$52743	$23695	$129286	4	12	151	18146	33903	$3286	
					1927	1466	816	4209	2	9	87	14724	15470	1741	
					8586	2361	1077	12024	6	12	1561	34719	74368	9016	
					1091	45	145	1281	1	2	33	10431	11373	276	
					6398	421	1946	8765	8	11	2980	35113	111790	16117	
					4106	2	343	4451	....	....	....	....	....		
					1509	321	140	1970	4	10	283	6098	50354		
					427	150	134	711	1	4	300	2000	13715		
					$76892	$57509	$28296	$162697	26	60	5395	121231	310973	$37584	$21021
					73971	49985	36297	160253	27	57	6232	94234	334040	41850	26785
					59430	52909	21720	134059	24						
					59159	41916	21237	122312	19						
					62670	35567	22776	121013	22						
					67781	42003	23230	133014	22						
239					794273	.....	35329	829602							
237	81211	1885	$114373	$114761	$871165	$57509	$63625	$992299	26	60	5395	121231	310973	$37584	$21021
238	73212	1621	104582	88871	823877	49985	69402	943264	27	57	6232	94234	334040	41850	26785
239	68730	1453	.....	.....	787352	52909	54424	894685	24	38	....	....	.....	....	25535
240	63524	1547	....	....	738287	41716	41849	818422	19	38	....	....	.....	....	14048
241	59394	1317	.....	....	664220	33807	60233	758260	22	38	....	....	.....	....	11853
242	57264	1548			631337	42000	56541	729851	22	38					9437

See explanation of reference signs, page 268.

THE EUROPEAN MISSIONS

Countries	Ordained and Unordained Preachers	Total Organized Churches	Churches Entirely Self-Supporting	Total Places for Regular Meetings (including Churches)	Church Members	Baptisms during Year	Sunday Schools	Sunday School Membership	Theological Seminaries	Students in Theological Seminaries	Contributions for Self-Support	Contributions for Benevolences	Total Contributions
FRANCE													
Franco-Swiss	†50	†19	†(9)	†41	†1137	.....	†19	†537	....	....	†$8131	†$359	†$8490
Franco-Belgian	50	16	(6)	29	1015	63	41	937	1	3	12813	340	13153
Germany (n)	914	213	(115)	†860	45583	2786	573	37462	1	20	303203	27882	331085
Sweden	1076	635	.....	.....	54159	2390	1273	65404	1	37	350000	.....	350000
Spain	11	7	(5)	9	84	16	6	350	....	....	200	.....	200
Russia (o)	†159	†178	†(49)	†650	†28900	.....	†349	†16184	†1	†12	†72201	†3010	†75211
Finland	*85	*55	*(16)	*52	*3190	.....	*103	*3141	....	....	*8104	*1988	*10092
Denmark	98	32	(7)	142	4226	150	91	5000	1	....	25371	.....	25371
Norway	†37	†40	†(5)	.....	†3599	.....	†32	†2734	†1	†8	†14250	†1750	†16000
Totals	2480	1195	(212)	1783	141893	5405	2487	131749	6	80	$794273	$35329	$829602
Totals last year	2483	1182	(205)	1824	139270	2985	2431	119440	6	121	$749906	$33105	$783011

REFERENCE SIGNS AND NOTES

GENERAL NOTE. — Figures in parentheses are not included in the totals of the sections (e. g., entries under the heading "Physicians, Men and Women" are not included in total missionaries in Burma, 188), as they are counted under other heads. Missionaries engaged in both general and school work are reported in parentheses in cases where a separate entry is made for the school. Statistics of "Missionaries" are for the year ending April 15, 1915, to correspond with the list given under "Fields and Stations"; other statistics are for the year ending December 31, 1914.

* Statistics for 1913 — not including baptisms.
† Statistics for 1912 — not including baptisms.
‡ Statistics for 1911 — not including baptisms.
** Statistics for 1910 — not including baptisms.

(a) Small numbers of Burmese are included in the statistics for some Karen and other churches.
(b) Statistics, except those for the Woman's Bible School, are included under Maubin.
(c) Figures for this work are included in statistics for other races, Assamese converts being few in number and connected with churches whose members are largely from other peoples.
(d) Statistics are included under Work for Rabhas, Goalpara.
(e) Estimated.
(f) Including statistics for Assamese.
(g) Statistics included under Work of Immigrant Peoples, Golaghat.
(h) Statistics are included under Balasore.
(i) Including statistics of Bhadrak and outstations of Busta, Metrapore, Ujarda, Salgodia, Soro and Bampada.
(j) Include statistics of Union Girls' School.
(k) Include statistics for Chinese Work in Siam.
(l) Statistics include dormitories conducted for students in government schools.
(m) Detailed statistics of missions in Europe will be found on page 268.
(n) Apparently does not include statistics for work in the Balkan States, the Austro-Hungarian Empire, Holland and Switzerland.
(o) Statistics are for the churches of Russian Baptist Union (composed principally of German-speaking churches). If those for the Union of Russian Baptist Churches (native Russians) were included, the figures would probably be doubled.
(p) Statistics for Bengal-Orissa Mission not included. Previous to 1911 work was conducted by the General Conference of Free Baptists. It has been impossible to make the complete comparison under all headings for the period of five years, because statistics now reported under two or three headings were grouped in previous years under one heading, and it is not practicable now to separate the combined figures of the earlier years.
(q) Many stations have not been able to report an accurate division of church members into male and female. In such cases the total only is given.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNUAL MEETING

Los Angeles, California, Wednesday, May 19, 1915.

The one hundred and first annual meeting of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society was called to order by Secretary F. P. Haggard at eleven o'clock in the Temple Baptist Church.

On motion of Rev. E. M. Lake of Michigan it was

Voted: That Henry Bond of Vermont serve as Presiding Officer.

Recording Secretary G. B. Huntington read the call for the meeting as follows:

The one hundred and first annual meeting of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society will convene at Los Angeles, California, May 19, 1915, in the Temple Baptist Church.

To hear and act upon the report presented by the Board of Managers, the Treasurer, and any other officers and committees and to transact any and all business that may properly come before the annual meeting.

To appoint such committees as may be required and to fix the time and place for the annual election of officers to be held at some succeeding day during the meetings of the Northern Baptist Convention.

The Board of Managers recommend that the annual meeting be adjourned from time to time during the days of the annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention for the purpose of transacting any business that may properly come before the Society.

The Recording Secretary presented the minutes of the annual meeting of the Society held June 17–25, 1914 in Boston, as printed in the Annual Report of the Society for 1914.

On motion of Secretary G. B. Huntington it was

Voted: That the minutes of the Society be approved.

The annual report of the Society was presented by E. S. Butler of Massachusetts, and on motion was received and referred to the Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention on Reports of Cooperating Societies.

On motion of Rev. H. S. Johnson of Massachusetts, it was

Resolved: That the persons composing the Committee on Nominations of the Northern Baptist Convention be the Committee on Nominations of the Society and that Henry Bond be appointed as the member of that Committee to represent the Society without the right to vote.

On motion of Secretary G. B. Huntington it was

Voted: That the election of officers of the Society take place on Monday morning, May 24, or at such other time as the Committee on Order of Business shall indicate.

Voted: On motion the Society adjourned, subject to call of the Chair.

Thursday Afternoon, May 20

The Society was called to order at two o'clock by Pres. C. H. Jones.

Rev. L. L. Henson of Colorado offered prayer.

Prof. E. D. Burton of Illinois addressed the Convention upon "The Scope of the Missionary Enterprise."

Chairman Henry Bond of the Board of Managers made a statement regarding the financial policy of the Society which was succeeded by an open parliament in which the following participated: Rev. J. B. Fox, Maurice Price, Rev. W. H. Geistweit, Rev. W. S. Abernathy, Secretary F. P. Haggard, Secretary J. M. Moore, Rev. H. B. Grose, Prof. E. D. Burton, Rev. L. L. Henson, Rev. R. H. Williams, Rev S. W. Cummings, Rev. H. S. Johnson, Rev. E. V. Pierce, Rev. L. A. Crandall, Rev. C. M. Gallup.

Secretary G. B. Huntington introduced the following missionaries who spoke with regard to their work: Rev. Eric Lund, Philippine Mission, Rev. Cornelius Unruh, South India Mission, Miss Helen A. Elgie, E. China Mission.

After prayer by Rev. F. O. Kusaki of Washington, the Society adjourned until evening.

Thursday Evening, May 20

The Society was called to order at eight o'clock by Henry Bond. Prayer was offered by Pres. C. M. Hill of California.

Pres. C. H. Jones delivered an address upon "Missionary Enthusiasm."

The following missionaries addressed the Society: Rev. Thomas Moody, Congo Mission, Rev. Robert Harper, M.D., Burma Mission, Rev. William Axling, Japan Mission.

After prayer by Rev. H. S. Johnson the Society adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Saturday Evening, May 22

A joint session of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and the American Baptist Home Mission Society was called to order at eight o'clock by Pres. D. K. Edwards of California.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. H. Walker of California.

The following speakers addressed the meeting:

Professor Walter Rauschenbush of New York, on "The Task of American Christianity as Related to National Life."

Dean Shailer Mathews of Illinois, on "American Christianity and the World Situation."

On motion, after prayer by Rev. S. Z. Batten of Pennsylvania, the meeting adjourned.

Monday Morning, May 24

The Society was called to order by Pres. C. H. Jones.

The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented:

President, Rev. Emory W. Hunt, D.D., Newton Centre, Mass.
First Vice-President, Rev. Walter B. Hinson, D.D., Portland, Ore.
Second Vice-President, Rev. John B. Smith, D.D., Waterloo, Iowa.
Third Vice-President, Walter C. Orem, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Recording Secretary, George B. Huntington, Boston, Mass.
Home Secretary, Rev. Fred P. Haggard, D.D., Boston, Mass.
Foreign Secretary, Rev. James H. Franklin, D.D., Boston, Mass.
Treasurer, Ernest S. Butler, Boston, Mass.

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Term Expires 1918

L. B. Bailey, Kansas City, Mo.
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W. D. Chamberlin, Dayton, Ohio.
Rev. C. W. Chamberlin, Beverly, Mass.
Rev. L. L. Henson, Pueblo, Colo.
Rev. T. H. Stacy, Concord, N. H.
Mornay Williams, New York, N. Y.
Rev. Cornelius Woelfkin, New York, N. Y.

To Fill Vacancies. Term Expires 1916

Rev. A. K. Foster, Ph.D., Worcester, Mass.
Rev. E. A. E. Palmquist, Cambridge, Mass.
W. T. Sheppard, Lowell, Mass.

To Fill Vacancies. Term Expires 1917

Rev. A. C. Baldwin, Rochester, N. Y.
R. M. Clark, Newton Centre, Mass.

Pres. Jones appointed the following as tellers.

Rev. L. J. Sawyer, California.
Rev. R. B. Pattison, Massachusetts.
Rev. G. R. Richards, Ohio.
S. P. Shaw, South Dakota.
Rev. J. C. Hyde, Ohio.
Rev. William Axling, Japan.

The ballots were distributed and collected.
On motion the Society adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 26

The Society was called to order by Secretary G. B. Huntington. Pres. E. S. Clinch presided.

The following report of the ballots was presented:

Ballots cast	289
Ballots for officers as presented by the Committee on Nominations	284
Scattering	5

The persons nominated by the Committee on Nominations were declared to be elected to the respective offices to which they were nominated.

The report of the Membership Committee showed an attendance of 123 delegates, 47 representatives, and 677 visitors, a total of 1127.

On motion, the Society adjourned.

GEORGE B. HUNTINGTON,
Recording Secretary.

Appendix C

American Baptist Home Mission Society

EIGHTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

LOS ANGELES, CAL.

MAY 19, 21, 22, 24, 26

1915

Eighty-third Annual Report

OF

THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

Los Angeles, Cal., May 19, 21, 22, 24, 26, 1915

Containing Minutes of the Meeting, Report of the
Board of Managers, Reports from the Field,
Treasurer's Report, Missionary Tables.
etc.

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The American Baptist Home Mission Society
23 East 26th Street
1915

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Term Expires 1917

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Term Expires 1918

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Prayer.
2. Calling of the Roll.
3. Reading of the Minutes of the Last Meeting.
4. Report of Treasurer.
5. Communications from the Corresponding Secretary.
6. Reports from Standing Committees.
7. Report of Auditors.
8. Miscellaneous Business.

GILT EDGE INVESTMENT FOR ALL

AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY to secure a high rate of interest and at last have the principal used for missionary work is furnished Baptists and their friends in the increased rates to all securing annuity bonds from The American Baptist Home Mission Society. The new rates began April 1, 1915. The Society now gives from 4 to 9 per cent., according to your age. This means an income much larger than can be obtained from regular investments.

IT WORKS OUT THIS WAY: If you give $1,000 to the Home Mission Society, the Society will give you its bond, and promise in it to pay you throughout your life a certain amount annually, dividing the sum quarterly or semi-annually, as you may wish.

Let us look at this in TERMS OF DOLLARS. The following table shows what each $1,000 yields each year to a person of any age:

1 to 39 years	$40	50 years	$60	60 years	$70	70 years	$80
40 years	50	51 "	61	61 "	71	71 "	81
41 "	51	52 "	62	62 "	72	72 "	82
42 "	52	53 "	63	63 "	73	73 "	83
43 "	53	54 "	64	64 "	74	74 "	84
44 "	54	55 "	65	65 "	75	75 "	85
45 "	55	56 "	66	66 "	76	76 "	86
46 "	56	57 "	67	67 "	77	77 "	87
47 "	57	58 "	68	68 "	78	78 "	88
48 "	58	59 "	69	69 "	79	79 "	89
49 "	59	For those 80 years of age and above—					$90

A GENEROUS INCOME each year may also be extended to A FRIEND OR TO A RELATIVE DURING HIS FULL LIFETIME, after the person who first enjoyed its benefits has died.

If this interests you, kindly send for a sample bond, stating your age and the amount you wish to invest. The Society will receive any sum from $25.00 upward and give you a bond for it Please make draft or money order payable to

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THE INTEREST BEGINS THE DAY THE SOCIETY RECEIVES YOUR REMITTANCE

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THE EIGHTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

HELD IN LOS ANGELES, CAL., MAY 19, 21, 22, 24, 26, 1915

FIRST SESSION

Wednesday, May 19, 1915, 10 A.M.

The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards, of California.

The annual report of the Society was presented by Secretary H. L. Morehouse, and on his motion was received and referred to the Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention on Reports of Co-operating Organizations.

On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse, it was resolved that the persons composing the Committee on Nominations of the Northern Baptist Convention be the Committee on Nominations of the Society; and that D. G. Garrabrant, of New Jersey, be appointed as the member of that committee to represent the Society, without the right to vote.

On motion, the election of the officers of the Society was referred to the meeting on Friday, May 21st, at 2 P.M., or at such time as the President shall call a meeting of the Society.

On motion, the Society adjourned.

SECOND SESSION

Friday, May 21, 1915, 2 P.M.

The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards, of California.

Rev. O. C. Wright, of Oregon, offered prayer.

On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse, it was voted that Rev. P. C. Wright serve as Recording Secretary *pro tem.*

President D. K. Edwards delivered the President's address.

Professor G. N. Brink, of New York, addressed the Society upon "The Training of Native Leaders for Our Home Mission Fields."

Secretary C. L. White led in an open parliament upon "The Pivotal Place of the Meeting House in God's Work." Other speakers were Rev. L. S. Bowerman, Rev. H. B. Grose, Rev. F. P. Palmer, Rev. J. F. Watson, Rev. C. E. Tingley, Rev. D. A. Pitt, Rev. G. E. Burlingame, Rev. Bruce Kinney, and Professor R. H. Tripp.

Secretary H. L. Morehouse addressed the Society upon "Our Work in the West."

On motion, after the benediction by Secretary C. L. White, the Society adjourned to meet at 8 P.M.

THIRD SESSION

Friday, May 21, 1915, 7.30 P.M.

The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards, of California.

Rev. D. A. Pitt, of California, offered prayer.

President D. K. Edwards presented Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Troyer, who conducted a missionary pageant illustrative of the work among foreign-speaking people.

Rev. G. H. Brewer, Superintendent of Missions in Mexico, addressed the Society upon "Needs of Our Near National Neighbors."

General Superintendent C. A. Wooddy, of Oregon, addressed the Society upon "The How and the Now of Pacific Coast Achievements," illustrating his message by the stereopticon.

On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse, it was voted that the Society adjourn subject to the call of the President at such time as shall be considered convenient by him and the Committee on Order of Business.

FOURTH SESSION

Saturday, May 22, 1915, 8 P.M.

Joint Session of the

AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

and

AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

The meeting was called to order by D. K. Edwards, of California, President of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. H. Walker, of California.

President Edwards introduced Professor Walter Rauschenbusch, of New York, who addressed the Convention upon "The Task of American Christianity as Related to National Life."

Rev. C. H. Jones, of Washington, President of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, introduced Dean Shailer Mathews, of Illinois, who addressed the Convention upon "American Christianity and the World Situation."

On motion, after prayer by Rev. S. Z. Batten, of Pennsylvania, the meeting adjourned.

FIFTH SESSION

Monday, May 24, 1915, 9 A.M.

The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards.

The following report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by Rev. C. A. Barbour, of New York:

President

FRANK C. NICKELS, Minneapolis, Minn.

First Vice-President

WILLIAM MCCLAVE, Scranton, Pa.

Second Vice-President

REV. FRANK B. BACHELOR, Ann Arbor, Mich.

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Treasurer

FRANK T. MOULTON, Yonkers, N. Y.

Board of Managers, Term expires 1918

REV. J. R. BROWN,	Bridgeport, Conn.
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REV. A. A. SHAW,	Brooklyn, N. Y.
REV. H. J. VOSBURGH,	Camden, N. J.

To fill vacancy. Term expires 1917

PROFESSOR A. S. HOBART, Chester, Pa.

President D. K. Edwards appointed the following tellers: Rev. A. S. Carman, Ohio; C. C. Boynton, California; Rev. J. H. Beaven, Washington; Rev. H. A. Heath, Massachusetts; Rev. L. R. Berry, New Jersey; Rev. J. T. Crawford, Kansas; Rev. O. C. Wright, Oregon; Rev. T. F. McCourtney, Arizona.

The ballots were distributed.

The ballots were received.

On motion, the Society adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

SIXTH SESSION

Wednesday, May 26, 1915, 9 A.M.

The Society was called to order by President D. K. Edwards, of California.

Rev. A. S. Carman, of Ohio, presented the following report of the tellers:

Ballots cast	361
For the Nominees as presented	360
Scattering	1

President D. K. Edwards introduced to the Society President-elect F. C. Nickels, of Minnesota.

On motion of Secretary H. L. Morehouse, of New York, it was voted that the annual report be adopted.

On motion, the Society adjourned.

P. C. WRIGHT, Recording Secretary *pro tem.*


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THE EIGHTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

of the

BOARD OF MANAGERS

of

THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY



T is with much satisfaction and with gratitude to God that the Board of Managers herewith present their Eighty-third Annual Report to The American Baptist Home Mission Society convened in Los Angeles. Emancipation from an accumulated indebtedness of several years, all obligations met this year and rich spiritual blessings in many of our mission fields, are some of the oustanding features of the year.

The Board of Managers

There have been some changes in the Board during the year. In place of Mr. Henry Buermann, who was elected a year ago but who decided he could not serve, Mr. Samuel Bryant of Palisade Park, N. J., was elected.

The Society suffered a serious loss in the death of James M. Hunt, Esq., of Yonkers, N. Y., whose place as a member of the Board has not been filled. Further reference to him appears in the obituary list.

The Board again calls the Society's attention to the desirability of electing members whose residence permits them without great loss of time and much expense to attend quite regularly its meetings.

Promotion of Interest and Beneficence.

Unusual activity and co-operation by representatives of our missionary organizations in the promotion of missionary interest and beneficence have characterized the year. In the United Missionary Campaign emphasis has been laid upon general Church Efficiency and the Every-Member-Canvass for weekly offerings for all purposes. District Secretaries, officers of the general Societies, State Superintendents and special appointees have worked most assiduously and harmoniously with good results wherever the plans recommended have been adopted by the churches.

Through the Department of Missionary Education, as well as directly by the Societies, a large amount of missionary literature has been distributed, while there has also been extensive advertising in our denominational papers which have freely offered their columns to missionary articles, and have frequently contained vigorous editorials on the subject. Our joint magazine "Missions" is a potent factor in imparting information and stimulating larger participation in all our missionary enterprises.

But, notwithstanding all this activity, the development of interest and of beneficence, as registered in the annual offerings of our churches, is painfully slow and incommensurate with the growing demands of the work. Results for the past year, all things considered, are encouraging. The disturbed and depressed financial conditions of the country, growing out of the European War, depreciation of some leading railway securities and other causes have impaired the ability of multitudes, while the special effort to provide for the indebtedness upon the Societies contained in it the possibility of a peril in diminished receipts for the current expenses of the year. The extreme distress of the Foreign Mission Society drew to it special sympathy and support. Considering these things it is a cause for thanksgiving that this Society's receipts from the churches are somewhat more than that of last year, and that it closes the year without debt.

Upon recommendation of the Home Missions Council, the week in November in which Thanksgiving Day is fixed is to be observed generally as Home Mission Week. A new text-book, by Dr. Charles L. White, Associate Corresponding Secretary of this

Society, entitled "The Churches at Work," is shortly to be published by the Missionary Education Movement, and it is expected will stimulate intelligent effort for the more thorough evangelization of our own land.

District Secretaries and State Agencies

Rev. Bruce Kinney, D.D., terminated his work December 1st as Secretary for the Southwestern District, including Kansas, Colorado and Oklahoma, to devote his whole time to superintendence of missionary work in the Midland division, and Rev. G. W. Cassidy, D.D., of Kansas was appointed as Joint District Secretary for this Society and the Foreign Mission Society. Wyoming will also be included in his district.

Rev. A. M. Petty, D.D., District Secretary for the Pacific Coast, felt constrained to yield to the strong pressure to become special representative of Redlands University, and his resignation was accepted with high appreciation of his very efficient service for more than six years from January, 1908. His work terminated August 31, 1914. After conference with the Board of the Foreign Mission Society it was decided to establish a joint district for the Southern Pacific Coast, consisting of California, Arizona, Nevada and Utah, to which Rev. A. W. Rider, D.D., for many years the efficient Secretary of the Foreign Mission Society, was appointed. To him was assigned also, temporarily, the care of the North Pacific Division, for which a joint secretary will soon be provided. He will have Oregon, Washington, Idaho and, perhaps, Montana, in his district.

Rev. Charles A. Cook, D.D., who for several years was joint secretary for the Yellowstone District, returned to the pastorate early this year, though attending by correspondence to the interests of the Societies until April 1, 1915. The District Secretaries have been indefatigable both in attention to their specific tasks and as leaders or helpers in the United Missionary Campaign, and in conferences with State Apportionment Committees in their apportionment of missionary budgets to the churches.

The Single State Collecting Agencies or Superintendents of Promotion of Interest and Beneficence have likewise been dili-

gent, and have been in harmonious relations with representatives of the Society in field work. This arrangement exists in four States, viz., Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa and Nebraska.

Reconstructive Problems

Considerable attention has been given to matters of relationships with other organizations and of reconstructive problems. The apportionment plan and methods continue to be subjects of discussion. The meeting of State and General Secretaries in Cleveland, Ohio, last December was devoted in part to the consideration of these matters, and another meeting is contemplated in the fall of 1915. A committee of the Southern California Convention, on "Denominational Betterment," has made a study of conditions on the Pacific Coast and recently took the initiative in procuring the approval by the Boards of several Coast Conventions of a communication to this and to other Societies and to the Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention on "Efficiency of Administration of Co-operating Organizations" expressive of their desire that changes might be effected in the working relationships of our general societies on the coast.

The time between the receipt of this communication and the close of the Society's year has been too short to have a joint conference, as suggested on these matters. Representatives of the Committee on Efficiency have been welcomed at the rooms in repeated visits to obtain information concerning the Society's affairs.

Baptist Union

There is steady and gratifying progress in the unification of Baptist and Free Baptist forces, both in local church affairs and in their larger organized activities. Dr. Alfred W. Anthony, as special joint Secretary, also as Treasurer of the General Conference, has been most influential in effecting these results. In his annual report he says: "Practically all the State organizations are in fellowship. Maine and New Hampshire, States in which Baptists and Free Baptists are more nearly equal than elsewhere, have been the slowest; but in Maine the two State denomina-

tional bodies have unanimously requested a reincorporation as 'The United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maine,' and in New Hampshire a joint session of the State organizations is planned for this year, and the two bodies will naturally thereafter, through acquaintance and mutual concessions and considerations, discover in the near future their best method of amalgamating. . . . It is remarkable that within so brief a space of time, since union was first proposed, and the subject seriously discussed, that two bodies, which had separated nearly a century and a half ago, under the stress of theological differences and intense religious conviction, which had inherited the fruits of argument, debate, division, and no little sectarian stress, should come together, putting aside rancor and bitterness, and should find a real unity of fellowship without humiliating confessions or surrenders. The history of the church may be searched far and wide for a parallel. We have done a noble thing in a truly Christian spirit."

The Free Baptists have representation on the Boards of our general Societies and the Boards of many State Conventions, and it will be desirable, as Dr. Anthony suggests, that they be represented also on State Apportionment Committees. The Home Mission Society acknowledges with gratitude the generous spirit manifested by our Free Baptist brethren in the support of its work.

Emancipation from Debt

Announcement has already been made that the campaign for the emancipation of the Societies from their heavy indebtedness of $276,223.58, as reported one year ago, was crowned with success. The indebtedness upon the Societies was as follows: The American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, $182,713.58; upon the American Baptist Home Mission Society, $71,051.54; upon the Women's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, $22,458.46.

The original gift of $50,000 by Mr. John D. Rockefeller, and an additional pledge of $50,000, conditioned on the whole amount being secured by April 1, 1915, as announced at the Anniversaries in Boston last year, imparted cheer and encouragement to the undertaking. The sum of $73,000.00 remained to be secured after

the Anniversaries. The work was vigorously prosecuted through the summer months, and with greater energy as the year drew to its close. The denomination owes much to the Committee appointed at Boston in charge of the campaign, and particularly to its Executive Secretary, Dr. Charles L. White, of the Home Mission Society, for the achievement at a time of serious financial disturbance throughout the country. Their report will give particulars concerning these matters.

Concerning the foregoing amount of indebtedness on this Society, it should be said that it represented an accumulation for a period of four years, and was due in large measure to exceptional application of sums to special purposes.

The Society has closed the present year not only without debt, but with a small balance of $1,787.94. The budget for the coming year, as approved by the Finance Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention, is made on reasonable expectation of no indebtedness on March 31, 1916.

The Year's Receipts from the Denomination

The following statement is intended to show the Society's fresh or original receipts of the year from the denomination, exclusive of all other transactions; also to what purpose these amounts were applicable.

	1913-14	1914-15
From Churches	$252,423.61	$256,250.77
Sunday Schools	8,499.44	8,159.62
Young People's Societies	1,143.17	823.47
Individuals	189,432.71	225,640.30
Gen. Conf. Free Baptists	2,614.91	1,427.54
Special Contributions for Debt	.....	69,031.40
Total Contributions	$454,113.84	$561,333.10
Legacies	106,908.46	89,161.60
	561,022.30	650,494.70
Income from Invested Funds	90,160.37	96,819.02
	$651,182.67	$747,313.72

Above Receipts for the Year, Classified by Funds

	1913-14	1914-15
For General Fund	$530,004.06	$601,286.99
For Designated Funds	23,576.79	11,125.24
For Permanent Trust Funds.....	31,208.73	28,611.78
For Annuity Funds	34,769.36	97,701.55
For Legacy Reserve Fund.....	25,224.60	.....
For Church Edifice Loan Fund....	6,399.13	8,588.16
	$651,182.67	$747,313.72

The entire cash transactions of the year, as shown in the Treasurer's report, were $904,429.96. The amount above the receipts directly from the denomination includes conversion of some assets into cash, designated sums from other sources, etc.

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

Missionary Summary

The following presents a summary exhibit of the missionary operations of the Society:

The whole number of missionaries and teachers supported wholly or in part by the Society has been 1,393. These have been distributed as follows: In New England, 65; in the Middle and Central States, 235; in the Southern States, 196; in the Western States and Territories, 755; in the Canadian Dominion, 8; in Mexico, 29; in Cuba, 46; in Porto Rico, 34; in El Salvador, 8. French Missionaries have wrought in 5 States, Scandinavian missionaries in 23 States, German missionaries in 23 States and Canada, Negro missionaries in 15 States, Italian missionaries in 10 States, Hungarian missionaries in 8 States.

Among the foreign populations there have been 354 missionaries, and 2 teachers; among the Negroes, 44 missionaries and 172 teachers; the Indians, 25 and 16; the Mexicans, 33; the Cubans, 35 and 11; the Porto Ricans, 33 and 1, respectively; in El Salvador, 8; among the Hungarians, 20 missionaries and 2 teachers, and among Americans, 688 missionaries.

The Society aids in the maintenance of 29 schools established for the Negroes, the Indians, the Mexicans, the Cubans, the Porto Ricans, and the Hungarians.

Number of missionaries and teachers	1,393
Weeks of service	54,264
Churches and out-stations supplied	2,144
Sermons preached	121,837
Prayer meetings attended	67,202
Religious visits made	355,933
Bibles and Testaments distributed	14,176
Pages of tracts distributed	1,396,249
Received by baptism	10,823
Received by letter and experience	8,129
Total membership of mission churches	59,026
Churches organized	43
Sunday schools under care of missionaries	1,592
Sunday schools organized	111
Attendance at Sunday schools	81,339

RESULTS OF EIGHTY-THREE YEARS

Number of commissions to missionaries and teachers	44,649
Weeks of service reported	1,624,025
*Sermons preached	3,879,549
*Prayer meetings attended	2,046,817
*Religious visits to families and individuals	10,557,063
Persons baptized	287,249
Churches organized	6,836

The distribution of the missionaries and teachers by States is as follows:

Maine	5	Texas	22	Washington	85
New Hampshire	4	Ohio	11	Canada	8
Vermont	3	Michigan	18	Kentucky	5
Massachusetts	31	Indiana	4	Tennessee	7
Rhode Island	7	Illinois	28	North Carolina	24
Connecticut	15	Wisconsin	8	South Carolina	24
New York	35	Minnesota	65	Georgia	27
New Jersey	19	Iowa	2	Missouri	17
Pennsylvania	37	North Dakota	37	Nebraska	33
Delaware	6	Montana	23	Oklahoma	213
Dist. of Columbia	2	Wyoming	21	Kansas	33
Virginia	26	Colorado	44	South Dakota	38
West Virginia	15	Arizona	26	Mexico	29
Florida	2	Utah	12	Cuba	46
Alabama	4	Nevada	9	Porto Rico	34
Mississippi	19	Idaho	32	El Salvador	8
Louisiana	2	California	111		
Arkansas	2	Oregon	38		1,393

*During the last seventy-three years.

Scope and Methods of the Society's Missionary Work

The scope and the methods of the Society's missionary work are so imperfectly understood by some that a re-statement concerning these matters seems desirable.

Included in its scope is a variety of activities, ranging all the way from the initial or primary stages of pioneer effort in new fields, through all the successive stages of baptizing converts; organizing churches and Sunday Schools; securing pastors for mission churches, and aiding in their support and in the erection of houses of worship; personal religious visitation and distribution of copies of the Scriptures and other religious literature, and the promotion of effective organized effort through local associations and State Conventions.

Geographically, in its scope are included the new rural settlements, the towns and cities along railway lines, newly opened Indian reservations, lumber camps, mining camps, the cattle ranchers, and student bodies in our great State institutions of learning. It embraces nearly every State in the Union, also Mexico, El Salvador, Cuba and Porto Rico.

Ethnically, it includes about twenty-five nationalities or peoples in this "melting pot" of the world. Instrumentally, the Society adapts its methods to the needs of the fields to be cultivated. It has furnished pioneer and itinerant and district missionaries with horses and wagons and automobiles, and gospel wagons and tents; a gospel boat for seamen, and supplies of religious literature for distribution.

For these varied activities there is the pioneer exploring missionary; the local missionary with his group of outstations; the itinerating missionary with his circuit of several churches; the district missionary and the pastor-at-large for attention to weak and shepherdless flocks and for work also in new fields; the general missionary of a State with his manifold duties of administration; evangelists for single States and groups of States and various nationalities; pastors for student bodies and general superintendents for extensive geographical divisions. Evangelistic and constructive work go hand in hand.

In a word, the Society is competent to do anything "to promote the preaching of the Gospel in North America," and is not at all dependent upon any other Society to take the initiative in the occupation and development of new mission fields. It always has been pre-eminently the pioneer missionary organization of Northern Baptists in the new fields of the West, among the Indians, among numerous groups of our foreign populations and in Mexico, Cuba, Porto Rico and El Salvador. And in all these fields its constructive work has been of great value in the establishment of our denominational interests on a strong and enduring basis.

Western Missions: Retrospective

Seventy years ago, Rev. Ezra Fisher and Rev. Hezekiah Johnson, the first missionaries of the American Baptist Home Mission Society to the Pacific Coast, after a tedious overland journey of about seven and a half months, reached their destination in Oregon; while sixty-six years have passed since Rev. O. C. Wheeler, its first missionary to California, going via the Isthmus of Panama, arrived at the Golden Gate. The latter was appointed before the great discovery of gold was known in the East. The wonderful developments on the Coast since then, and the new era upon which it is entering as a result of the completion of the Panama Canal and its intimate relations to Oriental nations, are graphically set forth in connection with the great expositions at San Diego and San Francisco.

It may be of interest and profit to glance at the development of the organized missionary activities of the denomination on the Coast, during this period, which may be subdivided into two dissimilar periods of about thirty-five years each.

The fluctuations and instability of the general Associations or Conventions on the Pacific Coast in the earlier period appear from the following facts:

The first California Convention, organized in 1853 at Santa Rosa, about fifty miles from San Francisco, under the shade of a group of live oak trees, was short lived; was succeeded by another in 1866, which, after passing through many trials, was

partially reorganized in 1874 and continued until 1881, when, out of stress and storm, a new Convention was organized, which received recognition by the Home Mission Society. This included the whole State until April, 1892, when, by a friendly arrangement, the Southern California Convention was organized.

In the Northwest we find the General Association of Oregon in 1857, which survived but one year. Sectional divisions were so strong that not until 1867 was another organization effected. In 1877 this was reorganized to include Washington, Idaho and British Columbia. In 1880 the name was changed to "The Baptist Convention of the North Pacific Coast." In 1881 was organized the Northwest Baptist Convention, including Western Washington and British Columbia. In 1884 the East Washington and Northern Idaho Convention was organized. In 1886 the Baptist Convention of the North Pacific Coast dissolved, and in June, 1886, the Oregon State Convention came into being. In 1897 the British Columbia Churches withdrew from the Northwest Baptist Convention, which thereafter took the name of the West Washington Convention.

The Idaho Convention was organized in 1908, the Utah Convention in 1883, the Arizona Convention in 1892, and the Nevada Convention in 1911. For about thirty-five years, from the beginning of missionary work on the Coast, the denomination was in the formative and re-formative period in its general organized activities. Several of these Conventions represented but a few churches, widely separated, weak financially and without efficient leadership. ,Their missionary efforts, therefore, were very limited.

A knowledge of these early conditions is necessary to a proper understanding of the Society's relation to the work on the Pacific slope. For a period of about thirty-five years the Society had to take the initiative, the direction and the principal financial burden of the pioneer work there. It was, however, seriously hampered in being unable to secure desirable men for important fields in those remote regions, and in its inability to obtain adequate resources for the expanding work. Exploring and general missionaries were appointed to cover as large fields as possible.

The beginnings of its work on the Coast were as follows: In Oregon, 1845; in California, 1849; in Nevada, 1863; in Idaho, 1864; in Utah, 1871; in Washington, 1871; in Arizona, 1879. Communication with that region, for about a quarter of a century after American occupation, was by stage coach and pony express. The Union Pacific Railway was completed in 1869, the Northern Pacific in 1883, the Southern Pacific in 1883. Prior to these dates the pioneer missionaries made their extended journeys on foot, on horseback, by stage coach, by boat, often enduring much privation and suffering. The pioneer missionary was in Oregon twenty-five years before any railway; in California seven years, and twenty years before the completion of the first transcontinental line; and in other territories years before.

With the railway construction came new demands upon the Society for enlargement of its work. One of the general secretaries, in 1869, visited towns along the Union Pacific to secure sites for houses of worship; and its general and local missionaries were alert in occupation of important places along these new lines. Before 1900, as careful examination showed, about 1,400 railway towns and cities had been definitely occupied by the Society's appointees. Since then the number has been greatly increased.

The new era of stable, orderly, constructive work began about 1880. During most of the period of thirty-five years since then the Society has been in co-operative relations with State Conventions, with the purpose of developing their administrative and financial abilities, throwing large responsibility upon them in the prosecution of the joint work. There are nine Conventions in this Division, thus related to the Society. The co-operative plans include both missionary and church edifice work in general.

In the early stages of co-operation with Western State Conventions, the Home Mission Society had not only to bear the much larger part of the expense, but frequently also to advance amounts temporarily for the Conventions' share of their obligations. This is still true of several States. Some State Conventions have become sufficiently strong to assume an equal share with the Society, and a few are able to do more than this. It is gratifying to record the efficiency of most of these Conventions in the prosecution of

our joint missionary enterprises. In these seven States the Society's missionary expenditures have exceeded one million dollars.

This brief survey would be incomplete without mention of the inestimable value of the service rendered not only to our missionary enterprise, but to all our denominational interests on the Pacific slope for about thirty years by the Society's sagacious Superintendent of Missions, Dr. C. A. Wooddy.

Evangelism

Last year's report contained a somewhat extended statement concerning the Society's special Evangelistic policy and work. Its general program, as therein outlined, has not been fully carried out, though substantial advance has been made, with the limited appropriation of $5,000 included in the year's budget. No large special gifts for this purpose have been received.

A summary of distinctively evangelistic activities in our varied mission fields is as follows: One general evangelist in the Midland division, embracing Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, North and South Dakota; 16 evangelists in co-operative work with State Conventions; 1 German evangelist; 1 Swede; 1 Norwegian; 1 Hungarian; 1 Russian, and special work among the Roumanians.

In this work emphasis is put upon the smaller and weaker churches in need of spiritual quickening, rather than upon large churches in cities which are able usually to secure the services of evangelists, or which in many cases co-operate in extensive and expensive campaigns under the leadership of noted evangelists. Reports from our general Superintendents and State Superintendents show most gratifying interest and activity in this respect in many States. In Nebraska about 120 series of meetings have been held; in Kansas, where the laymen's evangelistic teams have been most active, the largest number of baptisms of any year in its history are reported; in Oregon over one hundred meetings have been held, covering nearly every section of the State, resulting in much larger accessions than usual to the churches; in Northern California simultaneous evangelistic campaigns by asso-

ciational forces have been conducted as planned by the Convention which meets the incidental expenses of pastors who give their time for about two weeks to work with other churches. These indicate an awakening of interest and activity in evangelism. Further particulars are given in reports of Superintendents and General Missionaries. The hopeful feature is that the methods are not sensational or spectacular, but are related in a normal way to our missionary undertakings, at comparatively small expense, and great benefit to the churches.

Among the foreign populations excellent results are reported. The number of evangelists to the various nationalities will be increased as competent men are found and as resources may be available for this purpose. The work of our Labor Evangelist, Rev. D. A. Schultz, has been richly blessed in the changed attitude and temper of thousands toward Christianity and in many conversions.

Occupation of New Fields

According to reports from our general missionaries 82 new mission fields in the West have been entered the past year, and 44 churches organized, and 49 churches have become self-supporting. Hence, there is no appreciable diminution in the amount required for the maintenance of the work. On the contrary, when we consider the estimate of our leaders that at least 125 new fields should be occupied speedily, we are impressed with the fact that pioneer missions in the West still present great opportunities for missionary endeavor and still make heavy demands upon us. So great and urgent are these demands that the General Superintendents of Missions formally importuned the Board of Managers last fall for larger appropriations to Western work the coming year. In the midst of the effort for payment of the debts upon the Societies and with uncertainty about the outcome of the year ending March 31st, 1915, the Board could not commit the Society to larger appropriations, though hoping that this may be practicable soon.

Meanwhile, district missionaries and local missionaries are doing what they can to cultivate these fields. As evidence of the

outreaching work of many missionary pastors, attention is called to the fact that they report 267 outstations supplied during the year. The general policy of the Society is that churches should be organized only when there is reasonable prospect of their attaining to self-support within a few years. In some quarters there appears to have been an ambition to encourage the organization of churches whose existence would be short lived without generous help from missionary funds. This should be discouraged, except in cases above mentioned. Responsibility for the organization of churches that must rely upon such assistance, should rest definitely upon the general missionary and the executives of each State, in consultation, when possible, with the Society's Superintendent of Missions.

Conservation Methods

Conservation is as important as multiplication. In Western fields, as well as in the older States, there are many country and village churches that, for various reasons, have become weakened and dispirited, and are unable to maintain pastors for full-time service. To make adequate appropriations from missionary funds to give every such church a resident pastor is impossible. If wholly uncared for and left to languish and perish, not only is the antecedent investment therein no longer productive, but there is a distinct loss to the denomination of good material.

To conserve such imperilled interests, sometimes in connection with other kinds of missionary service, District Missionaries have been appointed with excellent results. Of Minnesota it is said that "the work of the six District Missionaries and the City Superintendent in Minneapolis is regarded as indispensable." In Nebraska, within four years, thirty-six churches were resuscitated, most of them now having pastors. These are illustrations of the valuable work done in this direction.

In some States pastors-at-large are appointed for similar work. These are usually men with evangelistic gifts. Reports show that 33 District Missionaries and pastors-at-large have been under appointment.

Another method for meeting to some extent the need is to have

a missionary serve a group of weak churches until one or more of the number becomes strong enough to have its own pastor. In some sections, where churches are not far apart, this arrangement has proved quite satisfactory, but where they are widely separated, it is impracticable, unless expeditious means of travel are furnished the missionary.

To meet these conditions the automobile is a necessity. Horses and wagons have been provided for some pioneer missionaries, but the cost of such an outfit and of its maintenance is about as much as the cost and maintenance of a low-priced auto, which enables the missionary greatly to increase the scope and efficiency of his work, as has been demonstrated in the case of a District Missionary in Wyoming. Consequently it has been decided to provide several automobiles for District Missionaries and pastors-at-large, making them adjuncts to the Society's co-operative work with State Conventions, whose chief executives, in consultation with our Superintendents of Missions, will determine how and where they can best be utilized.

In our co-operative relations with several State Conventions, and again with the Education Board of the Northern Baptist Convention, in the appointment of special workers among Baptist students in State Universities and other schools, we are endeavoring to conserve the religious life and interest of the students in our denominational activities. To many students their college course is a testing time of their Christian faith. Detached also from their former denominational associations and reluctant to enter actively into new relationships for the short period of their stay in college, many become careless and indifferent concerning religious matters, and are lost as forceful factors to the denomination. Excellent work has been done by a number of these special workers in this peculiar and important field where special methods for its proper cultivation are required.

Oklahoma

The Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma at its annual meeting, November 18-20, 1914, upon the recommendation of its Board of Managers, voted for single alignment with the Southern

Baptist Convention, thereby terminating our co-operative work in the State. This was done against the repeatedly expressed desire of the Board for the continuance of the co-operative relations, with perhaps some modifications. A statement of the course of events antecedent to the action of that Convention, together with a copy of the last communication to it by the Board, also an accompanying leaflet containing information about the Society's work in Oklahoma, may be found in Appendix C, page 53, of this report.

Thus, after fifty years of work by the Society in what is now known as Oklahoma, after long and liberal assistance to hundreds of mission churches in the support of pastors and the erection of houses of worship, at an aggregate outlay of more than $800,000, the Society is practically evicted and debarred from making appeals to Oklahoma Baptists for aid in the prosecution of its great work—prohibited from reaping anything from its abundant sowing—though a large element among the Baptists of the State is from the Northern States. Most of the Society's work among the Indians of Oklahoma for which it has been expending about $16,000 annually, is not directly affected by the action of that Convention.

Our Foreign Population

The growth and the encouragements of our work among our foreign populations have necessitated the appointment of a competent superintendent to give proper attention to the numerous and sometimes complicated matters that cannot be handled satisfactorily by correspondence, or incidentally by heavily loaded officers of the Society at the Rooms.

To this position Rev. Charles A. Brooks, of Cleveland, Ohio, was appointed. His service for the Society began last September. His success as Superintendent of the Cleveland Baptist City Mission Society, which brought him into sympathetic relations with mission work among several groups of foreign-speaking peoples, his visit to some countries of eastern Europe, from which large numbers of immigrants have been coming, all indicated his special fitness for the position. He has had a hearty reception by

our foreign-speaking brethren and by representatives of co-operating organizations, and has been indefatigable in his endeavor to meet the demands upon his time, talent and strength. His report appears with reports of other field workers.

On every hand pressure for the enlargement of this work among our foreign population continues, notwithstanding the slackening of European immigration consequent upon the great war. It is conjectural what proportions the new influx will reach upon the termination of the contest. The Pacific Coast States anticipate large foreign accessions as a result of the completion of the Panama Canal. Your Board is keenly alive to developments there as elsewhere, and will be prepared for advance work as fast and as far as resources and suitable men can be found for this purpose. Particular attention is being given by the Home Missions Council, through its Committee of Nine on Immigrant Work, on which there are two Baptists who have specialized in immigration problems, to this phase of work on the Pacific Coast. The Home Missions Council has also recently appointed a Superintendent, who is a Baptist, to promote efficiency and economy in the missionary activities of many organizations having representatives at Ellis Island, and to co-operate with the authorities in the execution of plans for the protection and the welfare of the newcomers to our shores.

The harmonious mingling here of Baptists from several European countries at war with each other is something delightful to contemplate. Superintendent Schulte says: "We have in our German churches people from Germany, Austria and Russia, who live in perfect harmony here, while their friends in Europe may be fighting in opposing armies."

For several of these nationalities evangelists who can preach in their own tongues have been appointed, and others will be appointed. One of these has already rendered valuable service among the Russians in Pennsylvania and North Dakota.

Special attention has been given to proper and most effective working relationships between the Society and several Baptist foreign-speaking organizations. A Committee of the Board with the Superintendent has made a special study of matters relating

to the prosecution of this work. The following outline of policy has been adopted by the Board:

(1) Reiterate importance of a practical and consistent policy of close co-operation of all agencies at work.

(2) A determined and intelligent effort to increase the efficiency of work already established.

(3) To consider our problem as national and racial rather than primarily local.

(4) To develop our work along racial lines with due regard to close correlation with Denominational organization.

(5) In establishing new work to consider first, those groups for which we are held responsible by other Denominations; and second, those among which we have the largest number and have been long established with a fund of experience and a trained leadership; third, those groups in which we seem to have been meeting with conspicuous success.

(6) In the older groups—to insist upon a policy of increasing self-support in order to release funds for newer work; and where we have been aiding churches for twenty and twenty-five years without bringing them to self-support, to consider seriously whether we are justified in continuing indefinitely on this basis.

(7) To place the emphasis on better organization and more efficient work rather than on more stations.

(8) To give more consideration to the importance of housing our work.

(9) To plan with a long look ahead for the development of trained leadership. First, as to American leadership. Second, Foreign-speaking leadership.

(10) The importance of developing an adequate literature both periodical and general.

Indians

Our work has been prosecuted among 14 Indian tribes, viz.: In Oklahoma among the five civilized tribes in co-operation with the Oklahoma Convention; also among the Kiowas, Comanche,

Cheyenne, Delaware, Arapaho, Apache, Caddo, Wichita, Sac and Fox; in Arizona among the Navahoes and Hopis; in Montana among the Crow, and in California among the Mono group near Fresno. Precisely what will be our relation to work among the civilized tribes hereafter, in consequence of the discontinuance of co-operative relations with the Oklahoma Convention remains to be determined.

It is fifty years since the Society took over the work of the American Baptist Missionary Union among the Indians of Indian Territory, acquiring property for missionary headquarters at Tahlequah, then the capital of the Cherokee nation. Continuously since then it has vigorously prosecuted this work, out of which has grown a large educational institution for the benefit of all Indian tribes. This is referred to more particularly in the Educational Department of this report.

Among the semi-civilized tribes, until recently known as "blanket Indians," the work goes on prosperously, under the direction of a heroic band of missionaries who have been identified with it for many years. Among this group in Oklahoma we have 14 Indian Baptist churches, with 1,200 members. At Mountain View they have in the bank $1,100 for a new meeting house, and will build as soon as other contributions increase the amount to $2,000. An automobile will shortly be provided for one worker who has charge of several widely separated stations.

In Montana there are three mission stations among the Crows, with headquarters at Lodge Grass. Mr. Petzoldt has been provided with an auto which greatly facilitates his work. In Arizona some progress is reported among the Navajo, while work among the Hopis, where missionaries of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society are laboring, is encouraging. In California, among the Mono Indians an encouraging work is in progress.

The appointment by the Home Missions Council of a capable representative who shall devote half of his time to important matters that come up in common to several Evangelical organizations in connection with their Indian work is regarded as a wise arrangement.

The Orientals

No marked changes in work for the Orientals have taken place during the year. The chief mission station continues to be in San Francisco, where the Society in 1887 acquired excellent property at a cost of about $21,000, and after the earthquake and fire of 1906 rebuilt the house with improved accommodations for the varied forms of work, including a school maintained by the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society for Chinese children. There are seven missions of the Society to the Chinese, and two to the Japanese. A favorable opening for another mission to the Japanese of Los Angeles and vicinity is engaging our attention.

The intimate relations of the Pacific Coast to the Orient, the presence of a large number of students from China and Japan in our higher institutions of learning, and the new era in China, give emphasis to the importance of our evangelistic efforts for these sojourners, whose conceptions of what Christianity is, and what it can do for the uplift of a nation will be profoundly determined by what they see of its fruitage here.

Mexico

The continuance of warfare between contending factions in Mexico, while working serious derangement to the work in some fields, has not resulted in suspension of missionary operations at any important point. The general survey of the field as presented elsewhere by Superintendent Brewer is, in the circumstances, very encouraging.

The critical situation in the City of Mexico about a year ago made it seem imprudent for Mr. Brewer and his family to remain. During his sojourn since then, in the States, he has continued by correspondence his work of supervision, and has rendered valuable service to the Society at headquarters in the translation of a large number of conveyances to property acquired by the Society in Mexico, Cuba and Porto Rico, and in examination of voluminous papers relating thereto. He has also delivered many addresses on Mexico, and has given special attention to work among Mexicans in Arizona and California, and has participated in several im-

portant conferences with representatives of other bodies concerning work in Mexico and in Latin America generally. He will hereafter include in his field the Spanish-speaking peoples in Arizona and California, though the work there will remain under the immediate direction of the State Conventions in co-operation with the Society.

Dr. C. E. Conwell of our Medical mission in the City of Mexico, also left, but recently returned to Puebla, where Rev. Mr. Brown remained though passing through some trying experiences.

A notable conference was held at Cincinnati, Ohio, June 30-July 1st, 1914, between representatives of about fifteen organizations at work in Mexico to consider questions relating to co-operation and greater effectiveness in its prosecution. This Society was represented by Dr. L. C. Barnes and Rev. George H. Brewer. The conference was called by a committee representing the Standing Committee of the Missionary Boards at work in Latin America. The results of the two days' conference was the formulation of a statement and recommendations concerning an apportioning of fields to be occupied by each principal organization, and co-operation in educational and publication work. Our representatives did not concur in some of the recommendations which were adopted by the conference. When the conclusions were officially sent to your Board for approval it appeared, after careful study, that our unqualified approval could not be given; indeed, that some recommendations were quite impracticable, being vitally at variance with Baptist views and usages. Your Board responded accordingly, at the same time expressing its appreciation of the spirit and aims and work of the conference, and our desire to co-operate so far as can be done consistently and as our resources may allow. (The text of this action appears in Appendix A. See page 50.)

The disturbed conditions of Mexico have interfered with the realization of the plans of the Conference; indeed, there are likely to be many and great difficulties in the attainment of its ideals.

Meanwhile other developments were taking place. Informal conferences between representatives of the Society and of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention de-

veloped their disposition to unite in educational and publication work in Mexico. At San Antonio, Texas, in October, 1914, a conference was held between representatives of that Board, including several of its missionaries to Mexico, and Mr. Brewer of the Home Mission Society, resulting in the adoption unanimously of recommendations in favor of such an arrangement. In November both Boards gave their approval, whereupon the plan was submitted to the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, which has been doing excellent educational work for girls in Mexico. The decision of that Board was favorable to co-operative educational work for girls. Accordingly, after further correspondence and conferences, a tentative plan of co-operation was drawn up, which has been approved by all, and which is herewith presented for the Society's approval, subject to such minor modifications as may be satisfactory to all concerned. (See Appendix B, page 52.)

Coincident with these movements, is another which heads up in the proposed Conference on Missions in Latin America, at Panama, in February, 1916. This is the outgrowth of the inattention by the World's Missionary Conference at Edinburgh in 1910, to evangelical missionary work in Roman Catholic countries. The first step in this direction was taken at the Foreign Missions Conference of North America in New York City in 1911, in a notable address by Dr. Speer. In 1913 a conference was held in New York to consider in its broad aspects mission work in Latin America, at which time a Committee was appointed, of which Field Secretary Barnes was made Recording Secretary, to promote co-operation in missions to the Latin American lands of the western hemisphere. This Committee, with enlargement of its number and of the scope of its work, has addressed itself effectively to its appointed tasks, and it is expected that the Panama Conference of 1916 and the regional conferences to be held subsequently will be of immense value and of great importance to the work. In view of the Home Mission Society's large missionary and educational enterprises in Mexico, Cuba, Porto Rico and El Salvador, it is the judgment of your Board that the Society should

be properly represented in that Conference and bear a share of the expense incident thereto. For it is becoming manifest that the closer relationships that are likely to be established between the United States and other countries to the southward present a more favorable opportunity than ever for successful prosecution of missionary work therein.

Porto Rico

Rev. A. B. Rudd, D.D., who, for about fifteen years had been General Superintendent of our work in Porto Rico, felt constrained to return with his family to the States and tendered his resignation, to take effect at the end of August, 1914. This was accepted with sincere regret and with an expression of appreciation of the efficient and solid work done by him in the upbuilding of our interests on the Island. Rev. C. S. Detweiler of Ponce has been appointed as his successor. His report, which appears elsewhere, shows substantial progress of our work. The disposition of the churches to contribute to their own support and to missions is encouraging. In several instances rural chapels have been erected by the people with little or no outside aid. At the recent meeting of the Association for the Island, it was voted to undertake the erection of at least one rural chapel each year, costing from $400 to $600. A Committee was also appointed to confer with representatives of other societies concerning the publication jointly of an attractive and strong evangelical paper.

With 51 churches and 54 outstations, 35 chapels, a membership of 2,344, and a Sunday School enrollment of 3,289, and a missionary training school for young men, we have good foundations for hopeful work in the future.

Cuba

Rev. A. B. Howell continues as Superintendent of our missions in Eastern Cuba. Some readjustments have been necessary, and some of the churches have passed through a sifting time. Rev. F. J. Peters of the Bayamo district was obliged, on account of impaired health, to return with his family to the States early last

summer. Providentially his place was taken, temporarily, at least, by Rev. A. B. Reekie, who was on furlough as a missionary to Chili of the Foreign Mission Board of Canada. Already our missions in Cuba are reaping the benefit of trained native leaders who were students in the school at El Cristo.

The annual meeting of the East Cuban Convention in March, at Palma Soriano, was well attended, and was most encouraging. The presence of Dr. Charles L. White and Prof. Gilbert N. Brink from the Society was very gratifying to the Convention and very helpful. The Convention heartily voted a special appropriation of $1,200 to the Home Mission Society.

El Salvador

The annual report from Rev. Mr. Keech has not been received, but from occasional communications during the year it appears that the field is white unto the harvest, and that our meager force of two English-speaking missionaries and five or six assistants are altogether inadequate to the demands of the field. A pressing need is a suitable church edifice at San Salvador, the capital. Rev. Mr. Brewer is making a visit to this new and promising mission field and is expected to give the Society at its annual meeting his impressions concerning their work there.

Alaska and Hawaii

For several years, while little progress has been made in the development of Alaska, the Society has done no missionary work there. Skagway, where we had a mission and built a meeting house, has dwindled in population and commercial importance. But the appropriation by Congress of $32,000,000 for railway construction in Alaska is likely to give a new impulse to its development. We should be prepared to do our part in the religious cultivation of this territory when the favorable hour comes.

Hawaii geographically is in our Home Mission field, but no Baptist missionaries have been sent there, mainly because some other denominations have long had a large work and controlling

influence there. But it is a question whether at least in the large and flourishing city of Honolulu, where there is a considerable Baptist element, we should not have a Baptist church, which, among other things, should extend a welcome and minister to the needs of foreign missionaries going to and returning from the Orient.

CHURCH EDIFICE DEPARTMENT

Churches Aided

The number of churches aided during the year is 64; by gifts only, 38; by loans only, 8; by gift and loan, 18.

By gifts: California, 3; Connecticut, 1; Cuba, 2; Illinois, 1; Iowa, 2; Kansas, 1; Mexico, 1; Michigan, 1; Minnesota, 5; Montana, 1; New Jersey, 2; New York, 3; Ohio, 1; Oregon, 2; Pennsylvania, 1; Porto Rico, 3; Utah, 3; Washington, 2; Wyoming, 1.

By loans: Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; Massachusetts, 1; New York, 1; Oregon, 1; Utah, 2; Washington, 1.

By both gifts and loans: California, 7; Cuba, 1; Indiana, 1; Kansas, 1; Minnesota, 2; Nebraska, 1; New Jersey, 1; Oregon, 2; Washington, 2.

Nationalities aided by gifts: American, 31; Cuban, 3; Mexican, 1; Danes, 1; Swedish, 6; Italian, 3; Porto Rican, 3; Slovak, 1; Indian, 1; Hungarian, 2; Finn, 1; Bohemian, 1; Pole, 1; Roumanian, 1; Negro, 1.

Nationalities aided by loans: American, 19; Swedish, 3; Finn, 1; Cuban, 1; Hungarian, 1.

Church Edifice Statistics, 1914-15

Aggregate gifts to churches	$27,251.38
Average gift to each church	478.09
Loans repaid	23,157.47
Interest received	8,447.85
Aggregate of loans to churches	22,239.23
Average loan to each church	889.56

CHURCH EDIFICE TABLE

Year	Number	By Gift Only	By Loan Only	By Loan and Gift
1861-62	62	36	20	6
1862-63	97	56	31	10
1863-64	107	62	33	12
1864-65	113	65	35	13
1865-66	82	47	25	10
1866-67	78	45	24	9
1867-68	86	50	26	10
1868-69	111	64	34	13
1869-70	84	49	26	9
1870-71	85	49	26	10
1871-72	79	46	24	9
1872-73	85	49	26	10
1873-74	72	42	22	8
1874-75	63	36	19	8
1875-76	68	39	21	8
1876-77	63	36	19	8
1877-78	68	39	21	8
1878-79	63	36	19	8
1879-1880	68	39	21	8
1880-81	63	36	19	8
1881-82	68	39	21	8
1882-83	63	36	19	8
1883-84	68	39	21	8
1884-85	63	36	19	8
1885-86	68	39	21	8
1886-87	63	36	19	8
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1893-94	68	39	21	8
1894-95	63	36	19	8
1895-96	68	39	21	8
1896-97	63	36	19	8
1897-98	68	39	21	8
1898-99	63	36	19	8
1899-1900	68	39	21	8
1900-01	63	36	19	8
1901-02	68	39	21	8
1902-03	63	36	19	8
1903-04	68	39	21	8
1904-05	63	36	19	8
1905-06	68	39	21	8
1906-07	63	36	19	8
1907-08	68	39	21	8
1908-09	63	36	19	8
1909-10	68	39	21	8
1910-11	63	36	19	8
1911-12	68	39	21	8
1912-13	63	36	19	8
1913-14	68	39	21	8
1914-15	63	36	19	8
Totals	2,909	1,918	481	68

Church Edifice

The value of the Church Edifice Department as an adjunct to the Society's missionary work can hardly be overestimated. Timely aid to weak and struggling churches in their efforts to get suitable houses of worship has started hundreds on a new and prosperous career. The Church Edifice Loan Fund was established 1870-4, and the Church Edifice Gift Fund in 1881. The scope and magnitude of the work in this department appears from the following tables which have been prepared with much care, though it is possible that there are slight inaccuracies, which, if discovered, will be corrected.

Thus it appears that 2,572 churches have been aided from these funds. The total number of churches aided is somewhat less than the aggregate number of yearly gifts and loans, inasmuch as some churches have been aided more than once. Those aided in the Pacific Coast Division, including the seven States of Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Washington, are 492; those in the Rocky Mountain Division, including the seven States of Colorado, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, 882; those in the Central Western Division, including the six States of Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan, 671.

Exceptionally large gifts have been made to some churches in the Pacific Coast Division, as in Salt Lake City, Utah; San Francisco, Berkeley and Spokane, aggregating about $85,000. The The total amount paid from the Church Edifice Gift Fund is $1,147,294.01. If to this is added $135,000 of the California Relief Fund that passed through the Society's treasury, after the earthquake and fire of 1906, we have a total of more than one and a quarter million dollars actually paid by the Society in the last thirty-five years for Church Edifice work.

The necessity for continued assistance from this source appears from the careful reports of our representatives, particularly in our Western fields, where, as they state 78 churches should be helped the coming year, and where about 80 churches are organized annually. Besides, in Mexico, El Salvador, Cuba and Porto Rico, where it is difficult and often impossible to rent suitable places for public worship, at least $10,000 annually is needed. Some of

our most promising mission fields in those countries are sorely handicapped because of the lack of meeting houses adapted to their needs.

Furthermore, it is the policy of the Society to devote special attention to the rebuilding or improvement of houses of worship, where such help is required, in cities where large numbers of young people are congregated in educational institutions. At least one such church each year should be stimulated by liberal help to have a well-equipped, modern church edifice.

Particular attention has been given by Dr. D. D. Proper, Church Extension Secretary, to field work in the interests of the Church Edifice Department. His report follows:

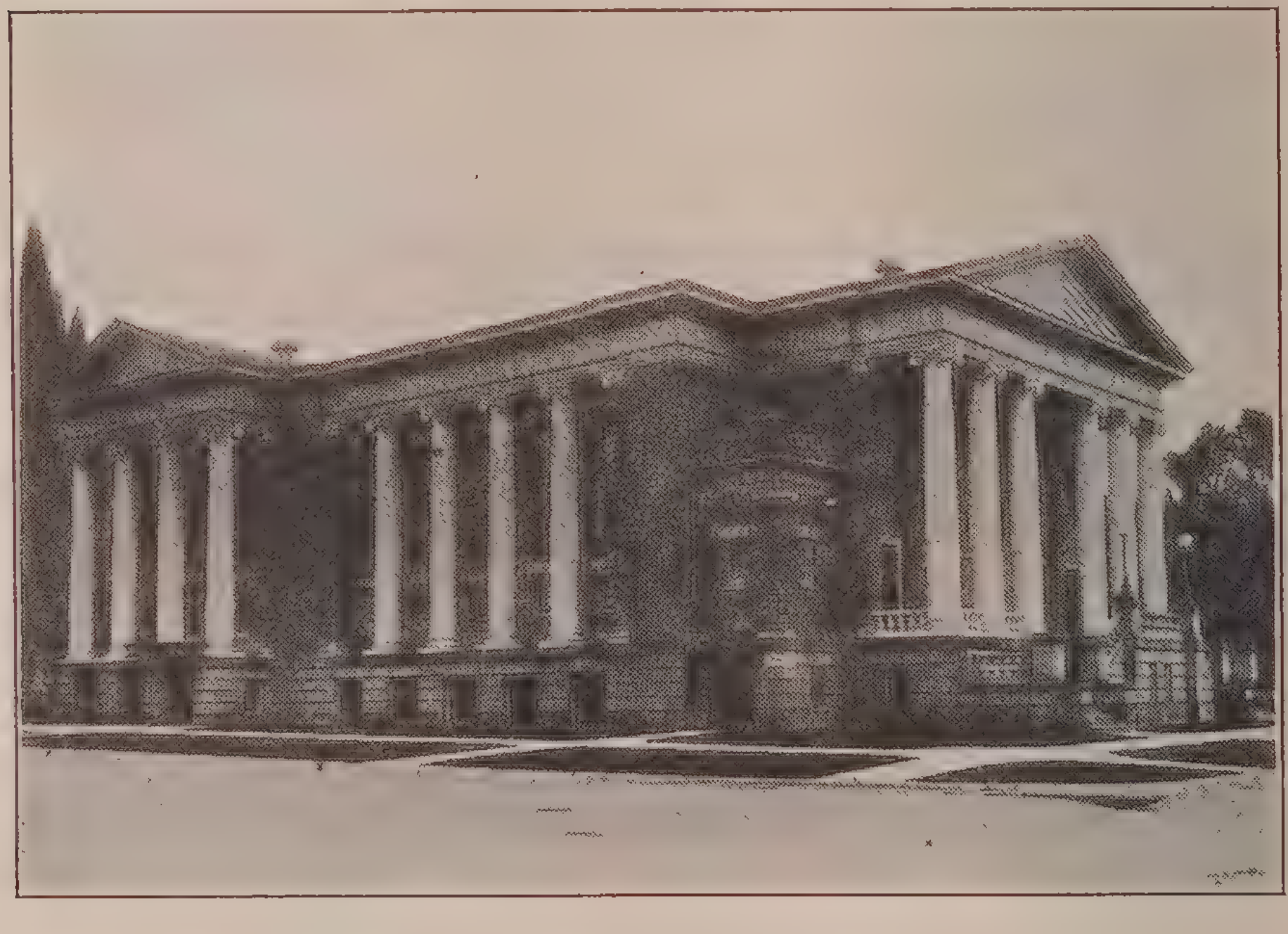
"My work ranges along the line of collecting rentals from properties owned by the Society, securing renewals of insurance, either by new policies, or the insertion of a 'mortgage protection clause,' in policies already secured by some churches where the Society has gift mortgages; making collections for interest and past due loan installments; securing titles to abandoned meeting houses where the Society has gift mortgages, and selling the same to replenish the gift fund; securing new and missing papers where mortgages are incomplete, and aiding churches where it is practicable to raise money to pay debts to the Society. I hope to be able to render service in a more constructive way in the near future.

"Owing to the constant shift in population, loss of members by deaths and removals, each State has more or less of abandoned church properties where the Society has either a loan or gift mortgage, and sometimes both, to be adjusted.

"One requirement of the conditional gift mortgage calls for a mortgage protection clause, 'Loss, if any, payable to The American Baptist Home Mission Society, as its interest may appear,' to be inserted in the insurance policy by each church receiving aid, for an amount at least equal to the gift. In every case when the donation was made this insurance protection was given by an accompanying policy with the mortgage.

"In many cases of the older gifts, after a time this was neglected, and finally forgotten by most of the members, so that the appeal of the Treasurer of the Society brought no response. The

Society having no fund for carrying this insurance the matter was dropped. In some cases it requires an inspection of the county records before officials will recognize that the church ever



IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

made a conditional gift mortgage. In checking up these accounts I have found some churches without any insurance on their meeting house. In a large number of cases I found policies have been secured, but the officials have neglected to have the mortgage clause inserted to protect the Society's gift. This becomes a very important matter, when it is remembered that the Society has aided more than 2,500 churches by gifts, aggregating over one million dollars. In one case the Society lost between $500 and $600 for lack of this insurance. Considerable part of my time has been given to this work of securing insurance protection for donations from the gift fund. Two Swede churches have voluntarily returned the amounts of the original gifts, expressing appreciation for the help, and a desire now to have this money help other churches."

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

In October, 1914, the Board appointed Prof. Gilbert N. Brink of Belmont, Cal., Superintendent of its educational work. He entered upon his duties in January, since which time he has visited most of our schools for the Negroes and Indians, also the schools in Cuba. His eminent fitness for this position has been attested by many who have had intimate knowledge of him and his work. After his graduation from college and Theological Seminary he was supervisor and instructor in the California State Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind; for about nine years, from 1901, was in educational work of the Government in the Philippines as Division and Deputy Superintendent, and later First Assistant Director, until his resignation and return to the States in 1909, when he became Principal of the Polytechnic High School at Berkeley, and afterward Assistant Headmaster of the Belmont School for Boys. He has a good working knowledge of the Spanish language.

The need for the services of a capable Superintendent is very great. The magnitude of the work, its complexity, the changes continually taking place in a teaching force of about two hundred, courses of study properly adapted to the needs of the people, questions of administration, enlistment of interest and securing offerings for the maintenance of these Christian institutions, with many other matters that cannot here be enumerated, are sufficiently important to engage the entire time and energy of a Superintendent of Education.

Negro Schools

The peculiar financial distress of the Southern States, in consequence of inability to realize as usual on the cotton crop, has somewhat lessened the enrollment and receipts from students. Some of the secondary schools which rely largely upon contributions from the Negroes have been seriously embarrassed. In one instance of extreme distress where the loss of property and the discontinuance of an excellent school was threatened, the Society and the General Education Board came to the rescue, but at the same time requiring the friends of the institution to do their

utmost for its relief. The limitations and disabilities under which many of the teachers in those schools labor are pathetic.

By the appointment of a special Committee on the Society's educational work for the Negroes, particular attention has been given to the subject of expenditures for this purpose. By some it has been felt that decided reductions should be made in order that more might be done in other mission fields where needs are great and urgent. After a careful and comprehensive study of the situation the Committee recommended a decrease of three and a third per cent annually for a period of three years in the budget for these schools, making a gross reduction of ten per cent for the period. This was to be offset, however, by increased charges for board and tuition, so that there should be no serious impairment of the resources for their maintenance. In view, however, of the financial conditions above mentioned, and the impracticability at present of making the proposed increase to students, or otherwise obtaining needed aid, your Board, while concurring in the general policy outlined by the Committee, regarded it inadvisable to attempt to put it into effect immediately. But, in some instances, slight reductions have been made and diligence is exercised in curtailing expenses wherever practicable. Adequate relief can be had only by endowments of these higher schools which are mainly dependent on the Society. It is gratifying that the Northern Baptist Convention, at its meeting last year in Boston, recognized the claims of these institutions in any comprehensive campaign by its Board of Education for the benefit of denominational schools.

We cannot yet disengage ourselves from the responsibility of providing capable Christian leaders for more than ten million Negroes, about one-fourth of whom are reported as members of Baptist churches. In the bounds of the Northern Baptist Convention are about a thousand Negro Baptist churches, with nearly or quite one hundred thousand members, whose pastors, in many instances, were educated in the Society's schools. At the meeting of the Negro National Baptist Convention, in Philadelphia, last September, attended by the Corresponding Secretary of the Society, about nine-tenths of nearly a thousand men present, by a

rising vote, expressed their appreciation of the benefit they had received from the schools aided by the Society.

The General Education Board, which has devoted much attention to Negro education in the South, in the published survey of its operations from 1902 to 1914, emphasizes the fact that "the higher education of the Negro ought not to be neglected. The reasoning followed in dealing with secondary schools and colleges for whites is equally valid for Negroes. That is, if primary and secondary schools are to have good teachers, principals and supervisors, provision must be made for the higher training of these instructors and officers. Moreover, competent Negroes often desire higher education as the basis for some form of specialized or professional training."

In this connection we record our gratitude to the General Education Board for its appropriations to some of these institutions, particularly its recent grant of $15,000 for a new dormitory building at Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga., on condition that $10,000 more be obtained for this purpose, $5,000 of which is required from the Negroes.

Several of these institutions are centers of manifold activities for the betterment of the Negroes. At Virginia Union University a summer convocation of Negroes at the head of public schools of the State has been held for several years, greatly to the benefit of all in attendance. Negotiations are in progress between the University and the Negro Welfare League for the appointment jointly of a competent man for constructive improvement work in the city and instruction along the line of social service in the University. A summer school is planned at Shaw University this year. Spelman Seminary is fostering rural school work of a truly missionary character by its former students in neglected localities, and Morehouse College, through the energetic efforts of President Hope's wife, is leading in movements for the educational, social and moral betterment of the Negroes in and around Atlanta. Other instances might be cited to show the wide outreaching influence of these Christian institutions. The men and women at the heads of these schools, generally, are animated by an intense and lofty missionary spirit, as are also their associates.

At Benedict College, through the efforts of President Valentine, a modest but well-arranged hospital building has been built at small expense, though it is valued at about $4,000.

Several of the higher institutions have as members of their Boards of Trustees men of prominence among both the white and the Negro Baptists of the South. We mention with pleasure the sympathetic and valuable service which some of these brethren who stand high in educational, ministerial and legal circles have rendered as trustees.

Indians: Educational

Indian University, or Bacone College, as more generally known, located at Bacone, near Muskogee, Okla., is in a most prosperous condition. The addition to Rockefeller Hall, at a cost of $6,500, affords much better accommodations. There is yet needed, however, a special building for class rooms and other purposes. The religious interest among the students has been unusual. President Randall, writing on February 22d, reported twenty-one students who had been baptized this year, and several others who professed conversion. A portion of the large campus is profitably cultivated, and thus becomes an object lesson to the students in modern methods of raising crops and stock. Income from this source will materially aid in the maintenance of the school.

The Murrow Indian Orphans' Home, which is affiliated with the college, is doing an excellent work. There is need for contributions to support dependent orphans in the home.

A special representative of the College and the Home has been appointed to co-operate with the President in the promotion of interest among the Indians in the Christian education of their children, to enlist financial support of the home, and to give attention to other matters, as may be determined. An endowment of $100,000 would be a wise investment.

Upon the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, which was in favor of this Society as defendant in a long and unjust suit that was carried from Court to Court, the United States Government has issued a patent in fee simple to the Society to the valuable tract of about 152 acres, which the University had occupied for more than thirty years. This was in accordance

with the original purpose of the Creek Council and with treaty provisions between the Creek Nation and the United States.

Schools for Spanish-Speaking Fields

The disturbances in Mexico necessitated the suspension of our missionary training school at Monterey. Several former students have been engaged in mission work during the year. The plans under consideration for the establishment of a Theological School and a Boys' High School and a Girls' High School, to be maintained and managed jointly by the organizations of Northern and Southern Baptists at work in Mexico, are stated particularly in the missionary section of this report and in Appendix C.

In Cuba the Internacionales Colegios at El Cristo reports a good year. In affiliation with it and under the supervision of a special committee are ten or twelve primary schools in our mission fields. These are maintained partly by the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society and partly by tuition fees. Thus we are reaching and moulding the characters of several hundred children annually and contributing to the raising up of an intelligent Christian Church membership.

In Porto Rico, at Rio Piedras, the Grace Conaway Institute for the training of Christian workers is beginning to meet the urgent need for more competent native preachers and leaders in the activities of our churches. The students have the advantages of the Insular University, located at Rio Piedras. The rooms in the new and beautiful building that are not required for our own students are gladly taken by students in the University, who are thus brought into contact with evangelical influences, and from whom some revenue is derived for the upkeep of the property. The good friends in California, whose generous gifts made possible the erection of this building as a memorial to one loved and lost, rendered an inestimable service to the strengthening of our denomination in Porto Rico.

By order and on behalf of the Board,

H. L. MOREHOUSE,
Corresponding Secretary.

D. G. GARABRANT,
Chairman.

APPENDIX A

Mexico

Action of the Board of Managers of The American Baptist Home Mission Society concerning proposed Co-operative Work in Mexico.

The Board of Managers of The American Baptist Home Mission Society having considered the recommendations of the Conference in Cincinnati, June 30 and July 1, 1914, concerning co-operation by missionary organizations at work in Mexico, and other related matters, have reached the following conclusions:

1. We express our appreciation of the careful survey of the whole field of evangelical activity in Mexico and the spirit of the Conference in endeavoring to secure co-operation in important departments of the work and an equitable division of territory to the organizations at work in Mexico. We are in hearty sympathy with the dominant spirit and aim of the Conference, even though we may not be in full accord with all of the recommendations.

2. We regard with favor the general scheme for the establishment of a joint depository of publications in the City of Mexico; also for the consolidation of the present church papers, with the understanding, however, that provision shall be made for the publication of denominational news and views for our Baptist constituency in the Republic and elsewhere; also for the publication of an illustrated paper for the young people. Concerning the establishment of one joint publishing plant in the City of Mexico, we reserve our judgment until more definite information is afforded concerning the initial cost for land, buildings, equipment and expense of maintenance.

3. We do not regard with favor the establishment of one joint institution for the training of Christian workers. The proposed name, "The Bible Institute and Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Church in Mexico," would not be acceptable to Baptists, who know only the local church and could not commit themselves to the recognition of a territorial or national church. Furthermore, Mexico is so vast a field that two Christian training schools might well be provided at important centers, one for the churches in Northern Mexico that are related to the Baptist societies of the North and of the South, located at Monterey; the other, for the churches of other denominations, located in the City of Mexico. Thus located, the opportunities for students to engage in practical missionary work would be much greater than if all were in one institution.

4. The recommendations of the General Committee on Education present a desirable ideal toward which this Society will co-operate to such extent as its financial circumstances will admit.

5. We regard with favor the general recommendations of the Conference concerning the occupation of the whole country by evangelical missionary organizations, so that each shall be primarily and chiefly responsible for the cultivation of a definite portion thereof. We recognize the difficulties, however, in the transfer of missionary and educational enterprises of one body to another, and we cannot unqualifiedly commit ourselves to the entire plan as proposed until all that is involved in such changes is more clearly understood.

6. We feel compelled to withhold our approval of the recommendation that henceforth all the churches should be known by the common appellation of "The Evangelical Church of Mexico," it being understood that the special name of the denomination would follow this common designation in a bracket. If this means that each denomination should be regarded as a component member of a national Mexican Church, we could not enter into such an arrangement. If it is meant to apply only to local churches, then the phraseology should be, for instance, as follows: "The Evangelical Church (Baptist) of Monterey." Baptists could go no farther than this.

7. The proposed "Message to the Mexican People," in our judgment, should not be issued without the approval of the boards at work in Mexico, and may well be deferred until definite action on many of the recommendations has been taken by these bodies.

8. Concerning the "interchange of membership," it must be said that while Baptist churches in many instances give certificates of membership to those desiring to unite with other churches, Baptist usage which requires immersion on personal profession of faith in Christ as a condition of church membership would preclude the reception upon such certificate of members of other denominations, who have not complied with these requirements. "The transfer of membership" by certificate to Baptist churches is therefore impracticable.

9. We believe that it will be part of wisdom to confine our efforts at first to the attainment of a few of the most vital and important objects embraced in the recommendations of the Conference, allowing ample time for thorough consideration by all concerned of the whole subject.

10. We regard with favor the appointment of a "Permanent Field Committee" for the purposes mentioned, with this reservation, viz., that it shall not undertake to arbitrate in any matter without the consent or approval of the boards or societies directly interested in matters at issue.

APPENDIX B

Tentative plan of co-operation between The American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, parties of the first part, and the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, party of the second part, in Educational work in Mexico.

1. It is proposed to establish a Theological Seminary, a boys' school of academic grade with college courses if demanded, and a girls' school of academic grade. These will be boarding schools; only a limited number of local pupils in advanced studies to be received in the schools for boys and girls.

2. The Theological Seminary and the boys' school shall be located at Aguascalientes and the girls' school at Saltillo.

3. The properties of these schools shall be held by a special holding company of nine, three from each of the aforesaid organizations, with proper stipulations and safeguards to the effect that in the event of the abandonment of any or all these properties, each organization shall be entitled to its pro rata of the proceeds of the sale, according to the amount of its expenditure thereon. The holding company shall have no power to dispose of or to encumber the properties without approval and authority of the organizations represented.

4. A dormitory and school building for the Theological Seminary and the boys' academy shall be erected at Aguascalientes at a cost of about $20,000, the expense to be borne equally by the A. B. H. M. Society and the Foreign Mission Board of the S. B. C. The site may be provided on the church property there.

For the girls' school at Saltillo, either the present school property of the Foreign Board shall be utilized or the proceeds of its sale shall be applied to the purchase of the better school property that is to be relinquished by the Presbyterians, it being understood that the Woman's A. B. H. M. S. will appropriate $10,000 for the better and larger accommodations required.

5. The A. B. H. M. S. and the Foreign Mission Board of the S. B. C. shall equally share in the expense of maintaining the Theological Seminary and the boys School, and shall conjointly share equally with the W. A. B. H. M. S. in the expense of maintaining the girls' school in accordance with approved budgets.

6. The appointment of instructors and their compensation shall be made annually upon the recommendations of a joint committee of the three organizations. The same committee shall also determine the curriculum for each school.

7. Moderate aid may be provided for students for the ministry, and for other worthy and promising students.

8. Day schools for girls now maintained by the W. A. B. H. M. S. at Monterey, City of Mexico and Puebla shall be maintained under its control; and other day schools may be established by any of the three organizations; and advanced pupils therein shall be encouraged to attend the higher schools for boys and girls, for their higher education.

Territorial Relationships

To make portions of the mission fields of the Home Mission Society and of the Foreign Board more compact, the Society will relinquish to the Foreign Board its work and church property in the city and state of Aguascalientes; and the Foreign Mission Board will relinquish to the Society its work and church property in Saltillo and adjacent regions in the state of Coahuila. Other reciprocal transfers may be considered later.

APPENDIX C

Oklahoma

The Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma at its annual meeting in November, 1914, voted for alignment exclusively with the Southern Baptist Convention. This, of course, carried with it the termination of co-operation with the American Baptist Home Mission Society. This was done against the repeatedly expressed desire of your board for the continuance of the co-operative relations that had proved so beneficial to our work for many years.

Public agitation for such alignment began in June, 1912, by the editor of a Baptist paper in an adjacent State and by the action of a church, which action was published and widely disseminated throughout the State. This led to inquiry by the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention as to the significance of these utterances and a suggestion that something might be done to stop further agitation on the subject. His reply stated that for two years previously such alignment had been advocated by some who cited the New Mexico case as a precedent. In subsequent correspondence the Secretary of the Convention urged that the Society take the initiative in withdrawing from the State and thus settle the matter. After the meeting of the Convention in November, 1912, your board appointed a committee to consider the situation, a result of which was the adoption of a communication to the board of the Oklahoma Convention, referring to the cordial relations that had existed for many years between the two bodies, and the agitation that had arisen, and stating that the Society was willing to consider the readjustment of its relations with the Convention if it should be deemed advisable. The board of the Convention in a brief response said: "Regarding the continuation of work in Oklahoma by the Home Mission Society, we beg leave to fraternally decline to take any action in the matter and

respectfully ask your Society to do whatever it thinks will be for the best interests of Christian work in the premises."

In accordance with this suggestion, your board in April, 1913, addressed another communication to the Oklahoma board, in which, after referring to the judgment of the Joint Committee in the New Mexico case to the effect that modifications of plans of co-operation should be the subject of mutual consideration by the bodies concerned, the request was made for a conference on the subject between three appointed representatives of each body. The response in May, 1913, was a positive declination to consider the question of a modification of plans of co-operation, but only the question of future alignment, a committee being appointed, with definite instructions, however, not to act in regard to a continuation or modification of the present plans. A reason given for not going into the proposed conference was that other organizations interested should have representatives present. In October, 1913, your board formally responded, expressing its willingness to have in the proposed conference representatives of the only other co-operating body with which it has worked in co-operative relations with the Oklahoma Convention under a definite plan for the three organizations, viz., the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; but that the question of alignment was one for the Convention and not for this Society to determine, and we therefore saw no necessity for a conference on that matter. The Convention in November, 1913, proceeded to appoint a committee of nine to confer with committees of the same number that might be appointed to represent the Northern Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention for the consideration of the question of future alignment. The committee of the Northern Baptist Convention in January, 1914, replied that they considered it beyond their province to engage in a conference for this purpose, and that in accordance with principles previously enunciated and approved by the joint committees on relationships, matters of this character should be determined by the State Convention in consultation with such denominational agencies as have been in active co-operation with it. When informed of this action, which seemed to close further negotiations in that direction, your board in April, 1914, suggested to the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention that we unite in a joint expression of our judgment that the best interests of the denomination in the State and the interests of the organizations which we represent will be best subserved by a continuance of the plan of co-operation with possibly some modifications. That board in August, 1914, declined to take any action whatever in the matter. A final communication by your board to the Oklahoma Convention was made in November, 1914, as follows:

The Board of Managers of the American Baptist Home Mission Society to the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma—Christian Greeting:

For eight years we have been delightfully united in service in our great missionary enterprises in Oklahoma. The plan of co-operation between your body and the two general organizations known as the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Home Mission Society has been productive of large results in the development of our denominational interests in the State. Indeed, the essential features of this plan date back to 1900, so that it may be said that we have thus worked together about fourteen years.

This arrangement has provided larger financial support than would otherwise have been possible for our Missionary and Church Edifice work; it has beautifully illustrated the practicability of Baptists from all sections of the country living and working together in unity, in contrast to the divisions of former years; it has secured for Oklahoma Baptists a large place in the sympathies and prayers of Baptists of the whole country; and in turn has afforded the Baptists of the State the opportunity for participation in the great home and foreign missionary enterprises of the general organizations both of Northern and of Southern Baptists.

Now, as we are informed, it is proposed that the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma shall terminate these relationships and hereafter become affiliated exclusively with the Southern Baptist Convention. This is a matter of so much concern to the American Baptist Home Mission Society that we feel constrained to ask your consideration of a brief statement of our views on the subject.

We deem it unnecessary and undesirable to rehearse the story of the communications between your Board and this Board at intervals extending over two or three years, but rather to deal simply with the present situation. We maintain the same attitude to-day as that expressed repeatedly in the formal action of this Board, namely, that we deem it desirable that the plan of co-operation, with perhaps some modifications, should continue indefinitely. We believe that the great mass of Oklahoma Baptists, if undisturbed by agitators, would be content to have it continued. We believe that the advantages as above stated, of this arrangement, would be even more manifest in the future than in the past.

We note the two principal arguments adduced in favor of the proposed affiliation exclusively with the Southern Baptist Convention. These are derived from the action of the Joint Committees on New Mexico. In substance these are, first, that it is best for a State Convention to be affiliated with one or the other of the general organizations; and, second, that the question should be decided by the preponderating sectional element in the denomination in the State.

The situation in Oklahoma is so exceptional, however, that we feel that a matter of so much moment should not be decided in this manner. There are other weighty considerations to be taken account of.

While the Convention undeniably has the right to affiliate with either general organization, is it best and wise, all things considered, to exercise that right? Are there not other interests that may be seriously affected by such action, and if so, should they not be carefully considered? No one lives to himself; his life is bound up with the lives and the interests of others. We believe that the American Baptist Home Mission Society, which has been by far the largest contributor to the development of our denomination in the State, should not henceforth be discarded and denied

access to the strong constituency which it has helped to create by its liberal expenditure, for nearly fifty years, of about $860,000. A very large proportion of churches in the State have had aid from its missionary funds, and about two hundred churches have had gifts from its Church Edifice fund for the erection of houses of worship. Shall the Society now be dismissed with merely some complimentary words and be henceforth debarred from reaping anything from its bountiful sowing? Would this be regarded as fair and equitable? Moreover, there is a large minority of Baptists from Northern States in Oklahoma, who would be greatly embarrassed and distressed by such an arrangement.

Furthermore: Is not the Society entitled to the sympathy and financial support of Oklahoma Baptists because of its long and liberal outlay on behalf of the Indians? The annual expense of our missionary work to the Blanket Indians is about $8,000; and about the same amount for the maintenance of the excellent school at Bacone, for all Indians. The Society has secured several valuable tracts of land with chapels, parsonages and other improvements for those Indian Baptist churches, which have nearly 1,200 members, and holds title to a valuable tract of land for the school near Muskogee, the valuation of this property being at least $85,000. With that institution the Murrow Indian Orphans' Home is closely related and is doing a blessed work. The Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society also has its work and valuable mission property in Oklahoma. These established interests must continue to receive the fostering care of the Society. Ought they not likewise to have the fostering care of Oklahoma Baptists in co-operation with the Society?

Lastly: The termination of relationships by the Oklahoma Convention with the Home Mission Society would seem to many as a step backward, particularly at this time, when closer co-operation is being effected between Northern and Southern Baptists in their missionary and educational work on this continent and in foreign fields. There is general satisfaction over the co-operative arrangement between the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in the work of the Shanghai College and Seminary and in the Tokyo Theological Seminary, and in the Chinese Baptist Publication Society. At this moment negotiations are well advanced between that Foreign Mission Board and the Home Mission Society for co-operative effort in the establishment of one theological school and other educational enterprises in Mexico; also for one Baptist publishing establishment. If we can draw closer together and work effectively together in other fields, why can it not be done also in Oklahoma? In view of such a marked tendency to get together wherever practicable, and in view of the fact of fourteen years of co-operative work, would not the discontinuance of these relations in Oklahoma be regarded widely as an untimely revival and accentuation of the sectional spirit, with grievous results?

We believe that if representatives of the three co-operating bodies can fraternally confer together in regard to all these matters a satisfactory solution of the problems may be found to the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

By order and on behalf of the Board.

Yours in fraternal service.

H. L. Morehouse,
Corresponding Secretary.

November 9, 1914.

Information Concerning the Work of the American Baptist Home Mission Society in Oklahoma

I. HISTORICAL OUTLINE

The work of the American Baptist Home Mission Society in Oklahoma includes what was done in Indian Territory before it was merged in Oklahoma in 1907.

The Society in 1865 took over the Indian work of the American Baptist Missionary Union, which for many years had maintained missions to the civilized tribes in Indian Territory. For nearly fifty years this Society has prosecuted its work in the eastern part of Oklahoma, formerly known as Indian Territory; and for nearly twenty-five years in the western part of the State. These years may be divided into four periods, as follows:

First Period, 1865-1890.—Work chiefly though not wholly among the civilized tribes. Its distinct work among the Blanket Indians was begun in 1889.

Second Period, 1890-1900.—Oklahoma Territory opened to settlement April 22, 1889; Cherokee Strip opened September 16, 1893. The Society proceeded quickly to occupy every important point therein, appointing local and general pioneer missionaries. During the latter part of this period the Society co-operated with a Baptist organization in each territory.

Third Period, 1900-1906.—There were two inharmonious Conventions in each Territory. The Society took the initiative in bringing about a union of both in each territory, which was effected in 1900, when a plan of co-operation was adopted between each Convention and the Home Mission Society and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Fourth Period, 1906-1914.—Oklahoma was admitted as a State November 10, 1907. In anticipation of this, on November 6, 1906, there was effected a consolidation of the two territorial Conventions, under the name of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, with which the two general bodies above mentioned continued co-operation for the ensuing eight years.

II. EXPENDITURES FOR MISSIONARY PURPOSES IN OKLAHOMA

Prior to 1900	$208,207.76
From 1900 to 1914	202,595.81
Total	$410,803.57

The appropriations to work among the whites from 1900-1914 were $117,261; for work among the Indians, $85,334.88. The missionary work by the Society among the Blanket Indians has never been included in the co-operative plans. This work has been prosecuted among the Kiowa, Comanche, Apache, Arapahoe, Cheyenne, Caddo, Wichita, Sac and Fox, where there are more than 1,000 members of Baptist churches.

For the decade ending 1876 the average number of missionaries annually was 7; for the next decade, ending 1886, 21; for the next period, to 1900, 77; from 1900 to 1907, mostly in co-operative relations, 217; from 1907-14, mostly in co-operation, 204. Teachers in schools and missionaries to Blanket Indians are included in foregoing figures.

III. CHURCH EDIFICE WORK

1. First Period, 1865-1890.—The Society's Church Edifice Gift Fund was established in 1881. Churches aided in this period, 14. These were mostly for the Indians.

2. Second Period, 1890-1900.—Churches aided by the Society in building in this period, 60.

3. Third Period, 1000-1906.—Churches aided by the Society in building in this period, 57.

4. Fourth Period, 1906-1914.—Churches aided by the Society in building during this period, 77.

Several tracts of land acquired for chapels and mission purposes among the Blanket Indians.

Whole number of churches aided by gifts....	208
Amount of Church Edifice gifts.....	$68,307.47
Number aided by loans.....	59
Amount of loans.....	$22,495

The loans were mostly to churches which had also received gifts.

Nearly or quite one-fourth of the churches that have meeting houses in Oklahoma have been aided in building by the Society. The localities of churches thus aided is herewith given. In several of the largest cities two or more churches have had grants. Some churches were also aided in the erection of their second houses of worship.

LOCATIONS OF CHURCHES IN OKLAHOMA AIDED BY CHURCH EDIFICE GIFTS FROM THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY TO OKLAHOMA

Ada, Afton, Altus, Alva, Ames, Anadarko, Annette, Ardmore, Antioch, Antlers, Apache, Asher, Bixby, Blackwell, Blair, Bokchito, Bokoshe, Broken Arrow, Bristow, Boynton, Boley, Blue Jacket, Caddo, Calumet, Caney, Carmen, Carnegie, Catoosa, Cement, Chapel, Choteau, Chickasha, Claremore, Cleveland, Coalgate, Colbert, Collinsville, Comanche, Cordell, Corinth, Cowlington, Crescent, Darlington, Davenport, Davis, Deese, Delhi, Dewey, Dryden, Duncan, Durwood, Ebenezer, Edmund, Enid, Elk Creek, El Reno, Eufala, Fairland, Fargo, Featherstone, Fort Gibson, Fort Sill, Frederick, Freedom, Geary, Glencoe, Goodwell, Greenleaf, Guthrie, Hallett, Hammond, Hartshorn, Haskell, Heavener, Henryetta, Hinton, Hobart, Hollister, Hooker, Hugo, Hulen, Huntsville, Inola, Kingfisher, Komalty, Krebs, Kulli Inla, Langston, Lakeview, Lindsay, Lees Creek, Loveland, Lincoln County, Mangum, Maramec, Marlow, Marshall, Mays, Mazie, Miami, Mickasukee, Minco, Morrison, Mountain Park, Mountain View, Muldrow, Muscogee, Nashville, Newkirk, Norge, Norman, Norwood, North Wanette, Nowata, Okeene, Oak Grove, Oklahoma City, Old Baptist Mission, Olustee, Omega, Okarche, Panama, Pandeltas, Paul's Valley, Pawnee, Peavine, Perry, Piedmont, Pilgrim's Rest, Pittsburgh, Ponca City, Pond Creek, Porter, Poteau, Prairie Hill, Pyor Creek, Purcell, Quanah Parker (Fort Sill), Ralston, Ravia, Red Bluff, Red Rock, Red Stone, Reed, Round Spring, Rush Spring, Ryan, Salem, Sallisaw, Sasakwa, Savanna, Sayre, Seay, Sentinel, Shattuck, Shawnee, South Canadien, South McAlester, Soper, Spiro, Star, Stigler, Stillwater, Stilwell, Stonewall, Stout, Stroud, Sugar Creek River, Sulphur, Supply, Sycamore, Tamaha, Tahlequah, Tecumseh, Temple, Tulsa, Tyrone, Valliant, Verden, Vincent, Vinita, Vinson, Wagoner, Waynoka, Wanette, Watonga, Waurika, Weatherford, Webb, Webber's Falls, Wetumpka, Wewoka, Wister, Wichita, Woodford, Woodward, Wyandotte, Wynnewood, Yale, Yukon.

IV. EDUCATIONAL WORK

ber, 1879. Indian University (Bacone College), near Muskogee, established 1882. Atoka Academy, opened 1887. The Seminole school at [illegible] aided from 1[illegible]

[illegible] Maintenance of the four aforesaid schools for the Indians. Many white pupils were also received.

3. Third Period, 1900-1906.—Discontinuance of aid to Atoka School, 1903, and to Sasakwa School, 1905. Schools at Tahlequah and Bacone strengthened.

4. Fourth Period, 1907-1914.—Consolidation of Cherokee Academy with Indian University, 1909. Adoption and transfer of the Murrow Indian Orphans' Home to the campus of Indian University in 1910. Concentration there of educational work for the Indians; erection of new buildings and other improvements. Valuation of the school property at Bacone, near Muskogee, $85,000

Total Expenditures for Educational Work

Prior to 1900	$193,821.21
From 1900 to 1914	188,091.83
Total	$381,913.04

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For Missionary Purposes	$410,803.57
For Church Edifice Work	68,307.47
For Educational Purposes	381,913.04
Grand Total	[illegible]

FIELD WORK

Annual Report of the Field Secretary

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THE outstanding features of the year's work have been the promotion of united endeavor for all the missionary undertakings connected with the Northern Baptist Convention; the completion of a special study of foreign-speaking work; the furtherance of the new movement in behalf of Latin-America; study and institute work in the interest of rural evangelism; and finally, the organization of a nation-wide special presentation of the work of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Incidentally, considerable office work has been inevitable. No small part of that necessarily has been done on trains, in hotels and elsewhere, far from office facilities. The work has required crossing the continent six times, and with many long zigzags. On one trip thirty-seven meetings were held in thirty-three days, with the nights spent in thirty different places, and 9,600 miles covered between meetings. On another run of only twenty-one days, thirteen nights were spent on trains. More than 42,000 miles have been traveled for the Society. It is a cause for denominational gratitude that such constant traveling required of the Society's Field Secretary is done with but slight expense to the Society.

I. United Missionary Campaign

Previously I seldom attended associations. This year I have gone to a large number of them in Michigan, Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado in behalf of the United Missionary Campaign of the Northern Baptist Convention. The Southeast Association, Kansas, was the first one attended. It adopted the plans proposed heartily, and since has made solid progress in carrying them out. Rev. R. W. Shaw, chairman of its U. M. C. committee, has been elected chairman of the State Committee on Efficiency, which is carrying the work through other Associations, aiming to secure its adoption in every church. In making the Association an organic unit of advance, Michigan is near the front, with New York, Oregon and other States doing splendid work. Specializing for a time on Associations has given me a fresh understanding and appreciation of the toils and sacrifices of District and State Secretaries. It would be good for the cause if the "swivel-chair" critics of missionary administration could have even a fortnight of actual experience in the field.

In one Associaton I went with the State Secretary from church to church in an "Intensive Campaign." That is the correct name. After

close study I am convinced that the missionary hope of the denomination so far as methods are concerned depends on carrying the united programme through the Association to every church. My attendance at the Society's full share of Conventions as well as Associations this year has been in the interest of all the work of the Northern Baptist Convention, stressing one phase no more than another. It has been found possible to present the whole field, and that not by colorless generalities, but in a concrete way.

At the end of the year a new edition of my "United Instead of Divided Giving: How It Works in One Church," is being issued by the U. M. C. This edition of the pamphlet gives testimony as to the working of the united method at the end of ten years and also the fact that one whole State has now adopted that method of making its offerings.

II. Advance in Foreign-speaking Work

The international session of the Home Mission Society in Boston last June, in which brief addresses were made by representatives of twenty-six nationalities, voiced to a degree the breadth of that phase of the Society's work, on which the Board has asked me to specialize for a time. My service in that direction came to a happy consummation in securing Rev. Charles A. Brooks to be superintendent of our foreign-speaking work. It is a joy to report that our expectations concerning his fitness and usefulness in that part of the field are being fully justified. He combines the breadth of sympathy and winsomeness with the energy and aggressiveness needed. It is a pleasure to note also that the Committee on Immigrant Work of the Home Mission Council has chosen for its special representative and supervisor at ports of entry Dr. Joseph E. Perry, who has been so highly esteemed in connection with our own foreign-speaking work in Massachusetts.

III. The New Day for Latin-America

It is as if a new geologic epoch were transforming the planet before our eyes. The cutting of the Isthmus of Panama brings all the coasts and all the peoples of both Americas into one neighborhood. The destiny of the Western Hemisphere is now to be determined. Shall genuine Christianity be made known at least throughout the twenty Latin-American republics? That task is barely touched. It never has been attacked in force nor even thoroughly reconnoitered. It is so stupendous that the only possibility of accomplishing it is by the concerted action of all the sincere evangelical forces.

Two years ago I was led to suggest that an interdenominational committee be appointed to concentrate attention and develop efficiency in Latin-American missions. That committee is now far advanced with

arrangements for a Latin-American Missionary Conference, to be held at Panama City for ten days in February, 1916 (February 10-20). The great Edinburgh Missionary Conference, in the hope of incorporating Roman Catholics into fellowship with itself, excluded Latin-America from its field of study. But foremost leaders in that Conference now see the imperative need of this one. An English committee is co-operating with us. Eight commissions of ecumenical compositions are now engaged on as many aspects of mission work in Latin-America. Their studies will be printed and in the hands of delegates throughout the two Americas before they start to the Conference. These commission reports, as modified by the discussions at the Conference and with supplementary matter, will be issued in eight volumes, marking an absolutely new era for missionary work in Latin-America.

The general Conference will be followed immediately by regional conferences, two or three of which will be within the field of operation of our Society, which comprises one-third of the entire population of Latin-America, including nearly one-half of its republics.

Owing to the distressing conditions in Mexico, most of the American missionaries to that country have been compelled to be in the United States. Advantage of that was taken to secure the first great conference of both missionaries and missionary administrators that ever has been held for any large country. This was in Cincinnati last summer. Dr. Robert E. Speer declared that it was without precedent. The unmistakable presence of the Holy Spirit gave promise of a new day for poor old Mexico as soon as the way is open again for work there. The supreme desire of the Conference was to secure a more thoroughgoing and complete occupation of that field than ever has been made, or than ever could be made without concerted action. One outcome already is that Northern and Southern Baptists are to join forces as never before in the part of Mexico which we cultivate.

IV. Rural Evangelism

Having obtained from State Secretaries throughout our field names of country pastors who have been especially efficient in pastoral and personal evangelism, I have corresponded with these as to their ways of working and the results obtained. Pessimism as to the evangelistic efficiency of twentieth century country pastors is impossible in view of the facts revealed. The suggestions of experience and success will be helpful in stimulating others. In Rural Church Institutes in New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, evangelism has been the theme of that part of the programme which I have provided, my insistence being that personal evangelism and social service must go hand in hand. There are country pastors all the way across this continent who are worthy successors of the pioneers who created our denomination. In many a country church

there is a spiritually genetic atmosphere like that which most of us remember from childhood.

V. Special Promotion of Interest in Home Missions

On July 4 it was a pleasure to present Home Missions to the enthusiastic Young People's Union of America at Kansas City. Educational courses on the subject were given at summer assemblies in Michigan, Colorado and New York.

There always has been a demand on the part of churches greater than District Secretaries could supply for speakers intimately acquainted with Home Missions. Now that most of the District Secretaries represent jointly Home and Foreign Missions, the sense of need is accentuated, because they see that there never can be a long list of Home Missionaries on furlough available for presenting the needs of the field. To help meet this need as many of our workers as possible, including superintendents of missions, have been mobilized for the last six weeks of the year, subject to appointments arranged by District Secretaries.

In twenty-three States a dozen of us have been able, in addition to our regular work, to visit more than two hundred churches, having aggregate Home Mission apportionments of over $40,000. One who was new to such campaigning was prostrated by it. Whatever the results, this has been to us a joyous service. We believe that by this method still more and better work can be done another year.

Thus the past year's field work has combined attention to unification of all missionary interests with specialization on particular tasks.

REPORTS OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS

Pacific Division: Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington

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THIS annual review of the Pacific Division for the year ending March 31, 1915, is written in view of the approaching annual meeting of the Society in Los Angeles during the month of May. It has been supposed that denominational home mission work began its direct relations with the Pacific Slope in the appointment of Ezra Fisher and Hezekiah Johnson in the year 1844, but who arrived in the old Oregon country in the late part of 1845. There were, however, other points of contact to which little attention has been given. One of these is most interesting. Rev. John M. Peck, the pioneer Home Missionary and the founder of Rock Springs Academy, later developing into Shurtleff College, under date of March 19, 1852, wrote a letter to General Joseph Lane, delegate in Congress from Oregon. In this letter he relates that in 1827, the year the seminary opened, a young man about sixteen years of age was one of its first pupils. He reached the place with but a single dollar in his pocket. This pupil developed such proficiency that in the spring of 1828 he was made a tutor in the Seminary. Opportunity offered him to perfect himself in mathematics and the general knowledge of surveying, and later he spent some time in the office of Edward Bates, who afterward became Lincoln's Attorney-General. Mr. Peck learned that he had removed to the Territory of Oregon, and writes to know of his character and usefulness in the far West. It is an interesting coincidence that during the summer of 1845, while Fisher and Johnson were making their toilsome journey across the plains, the hand of this young man was writing the Constitution of the provisional government of the Oregon Territory, probably the most decisive document prepared in the entire history of the old Oregon country, and to which, more than to any other single fact, may be given the credit for securing a union of all the elements then resident in the Oregon country.

I do not know a more interesting illustration of the value of the by-products in the work of home missions. This young man, so largely receiving his education under the personal direction of John M. Peck, the pioneer Western missionary, well repaid that early investment of a Home Missionary's effort and interest. This matter of writing that early constitutional basis of local government in the old Oregon country, and the laying out of a road from old Fort Hall into the Willamette Valley, not to mention other services, were large contributions made by this

early student of Shurtleff, known in the early history of Oregon as the Sage of Yoncalla, but whose name was Jesse Applegate.

This meeting of the Society occurs on the seventieth anniversary of the arrival of the Society's first missionaries, and on the twenty-fifth of this month occurs the seventy-first anniversary of the organization of the first Baptist church west of the Rocky Mountains, effected at West Union, near Portland, Ore., May 25, 1844, and at the time of the arrival of Fisher and Johnson, consisting of eleven members. They had been preceded, however, by an immigrant preacher, Rev. Vincent Snelling, who had arrived in Oregon in the late part of 1843 and had already baptized two young people into the fellowship of that Church, himself and wife also having united.

Thus and thus early did Baptist work begin on the Pacific Slope. Organizations followed in other States, as follows: In California, 1849; in Washington, 1859; in Idaho, 1864; in Nevada, 1864; in Arizona, 1878; in Utah, 1880. The table which follows illustrates the rapidity of development, and includes the facts for the seven States of the Pacific Division, comprising 9 conventions, 42 associations and 726 churches:

Year	Number of Churches	Members	Value of Property	Total of Contributions
1845	1	11	None	"100 bushels of wheat delivered in Portland."
1885	254	10,446	335,665	79,063.59
1900	494	32,541	1,463,633	285,015.30
1914	726	79,135	6,645,664	1,374,627.13

Per capita giving: 1885, $7.56; 1900, $8.89; 1914, $17.37.

The Year's Work

The work has gone steadily forward through the year, with but one change in the force of General Missionaries. On April 5, 1914, Rev. W. C. King, of the East Washington Convention, closed earthly service and entered upon his heavenly course. Greatly beloved, highly appreciated, sincerely mourned, he was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit. On May 4, Rev. F. R. Margetts was unanimously chosen to succeed him, and entered at once upon the work. Trained in both law and theology, he is showing himself well adapted to his new position, and vigorous in prosecuting its tasks.

About 275 missionaries have been under appointment, and somewhat

more than 250 unpaid but highly skilled and devoted missionary wives have served with them without appointment or remuneration.

About the usual number of new houses, the number and location of which will be reported by the General Missionaries, have been built during the year, and include the large and commodious house of the Immanuel Church, Salt Lake City; the First Baptist Church of Santa Ana, Cal.; the First Baptist Church of Ontario, Cal., and the First Baptist Church of Berkeley, Cal. The Society contributed largely to the erection of the Salt Lake and Berkeley buildings. The Society has long done invaluable service to the West through its edifice fund, but never more valuable than in these special contributions, by which it insured the erection of such attractive and useful houses as the First and Hamilton Square Churches in San Francisco, the First Church of Berkeley and the Immanuel of Salt Lake City. The building of such edifices at critical centers, and of such cost as put the enterprise entirely beyond the ability of the local church, evidences both strategy and statesmanship. There still remain on the Pacific Slope a few such fields to be aided and fitted for large tasks.

Evangelism

Evangelistic work steadily increases among our churches. Seven or eight Baptist evangelists have served most of the year in the States of this division, without cost to our mission funds, being supported entirely by the free-will offerings of the churches, and seem to have been well cared for financially. Four or five other men of national reputation have held large union or community meetings, special tabernacles seating some thousands of people having been built for the special meetings. Utah, Idaho, and East Washington have had evangelists under appointment. Special co-operative plans by which pastors have been enlisted have provided probably for the largest number of evangelistic meetings held by any one class of evangelists. Three or four varieties of pastoral service have been developed. At the East Washington Convention, nearly every pastor in the State offered his services for an evangelistic meeting outside his own field. About thirty meetings were thus provided for, and most of them have been held. In Portland, the pastors arranged for mutual work, in which two pastors came to the assistance of the pastor in a church, one of the visiting brethren preaching throughout the meeting, and the other visiting pastor giving himself to house-to-house visitation and personal work in the community. In this way there were three men engaged in a two weeks' meeting with each church, and the plan was found to work admirably. In Northern California the Evangelistic Committee of the Convention has arranged one or two series of meetings, in which simultaneous services were held in all the churches in an association. Preachers to carry forward such a campaign were secured through voluntary service of pastors from the Convention field. These served without salary, but

the Convention, from its evangelistic fund, provided for the expenses of the advertising campaign and whatever might be needed in addition to the free-will offerings received during the meetings for other expenses. This plan was tried last year, as well as this, and commends itself to the Evangelistic Committee as having large effectiveness. In all the States of the division many pastors have held one or more evangelistic meetings with other churches in the State, on terms mutually satisfactory to the evangelist and the church. I have not been able to secure reports as to the number of evangelistic services reaching our churches during the entire year. Arizona, with 40 churches, has held during the year 18 evangelistic meetings. Oregon reports nearly 100 meetings in its 128 churches. In Southern California about 15 men have been engaged more or less in conducting evangelistic meetings. My impression is that of the 726 churches in the division, fully half of them have been reached by some direct evangelistic services, and the indications are that this Convention year will report the largest number of baptisms of any year in our history. More than 250 series of meetings have been held under Baptist leadership.

District Missionaries

During the year continuous study has been given to the field, with a view to developing several types of district missionary work by which a much larger use of the district missionary may be secured. The outstanding weakness of much of district missionary work done hitherto has grown out of the fact of too large a field and of inefficient supervision. The latter can hardly be given unless fields are smaller, so that more immediate oversight can be given. The possibility of the development of a field by the use of a District Missionary in connection with a settled pastor has been shown in a pamphlet recently published by the Society, entitled "The Rural Reach of a Town Church." The plan therein described has been used for about three years, and has thoroughly demonstrated its value. The General Missionary in Oregon is giving a thorough trial to the plan of settling a District Missionary as pastor of one church in the district. He lives on this field, and gives it in most cases one service on Sunday, but sometimes two Sunday morning services a month, and four to six other points are cared for with one or more services each month, and a thorough pastoral cultivation of the entire field. In some cases three or more of the points cared for have organized churches, and other points are regarded as out-stations. These two methods seem to offer the best results and a larger degree of permanence than any others we have tried in recent years.

Personal Services

My personal services have been continuous throughout the year. I have visited each of the Conventions in my field from two to ten times; have

given a large amount of time in efficiency programmes; a series of addresses at two assemblies and one at the Theological Seminary; have traveled across the continent four times, and in all traveling somewhat above 40,000 miles. The amount of office work has been large, and correspondence and special articles have involved the writing of nearly 20,000 pages of manuscript.

Midland Division: Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, and Nebraska.

BRUCE KINNEY, D.D., TOPEKA, KANSAS, GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

SOME notable events have transpired during the last year. Dr. D. D. Proper, Superintendent of the Central Division, after a long and varied experience in Home Mission work, was transferred one year ago to the Church Edifice Department of our work. At the same time the States over which he had had supervision were joined with the Southwest Division, creating the new Midland Division. It is difficult for some of our Eastern friends to realize that these States form, roughly speaking, the middle third of our continent.

I continued to act as District Secretary for the Southwest District until December 1, when it was made a Joint District, with Dr. G. W. Cassidy as Joint Secretary.

Oklahoma

At the annual meeting of the Oklahoma Convention in November, 1914, it was voted by an overwhelming majority to align wholly with the Southern Baptist Convention. For some time this action had been known to be inevitable. This action does not affect the missionary work which the Society is doing among the Blanket Indians of Western Oklahoma nor the educational work which it is doing for the more civilized tribes in Eastern Oklahoma.

Indian Work

Our personnel is the same as last year, though important changes have been made which we believe will greatly increase the efficiency of the work while not appreciably increasing the expense, especially after the first year. The changes are as follows, in effect after April 1, 1915:

Rev. G. Lee Phelps, missionary to the Sac and Fox, was made Field Worker among the Indians, with a variety of duties, both in connection with our schools and orphanage at Bacone and with the missions among the Blanket Indians. His headquarters are at Bacone. Rev. Ira D. Halvorsen, formerly at Elk Creek Church, became missionary to the

Sac and Fox, establishing his home at Stroud. The Elk Creek Church was placed under the pastoral care of Rev. H. H. Clouse, of Rainy Mountain, who is to be provided with an auto so that he can conduct services at both places each Sunday. Also assistance has been arranged for Brother Clouse so that other services will be conducted at both places at times when he cannot be present. Most of the compensation for this assistance will come from the proceeds of the rental of the Elk Creek farm.

There are other fields where autos should be provided. They would greatly increase the radius of the missionaries' activities and enable them to reach hundreds of Indians now beyond their influence. One of our missionaries reports that during 1914 he was actually driving his team over thirty days of twenty-four hours each, or one-sixth of his working time.

Our Apache chapel, on Cache Creek, burned recently, but was insured. This raises the question as to whether this chapel ought not to be located more centrally.

Changes

Rev. C. E. Hemans, General Missionary for North Dakota, resigned May 1, 1914, to accept a pastorate in Wisconsin. Very fortunately for the work, Rev. C. E. Tingley was secured to take the vacancy with only one month of interim. Brother Tingley gives promise of becoming an excellent executive officer for that Convention.

In Montana Rev. Thomas Stephenson has given notice that he will close his work May 1, 1915. This is greatly to be regretted, as he has given enthusiasm and consecration to the work, but was made necessary from the fact that he has never fully recovered from a nearly fatal auto accident of two years ago. He has served five years. At their board meeting held on April 1, 1915, Rev. G. Clifford Cress, who has done such a constructive work in Lewistown, Montana, was chosen to lead in place of Brother Stephenson, and there is every reason to expect that he will accept.

Otherwise our excellent corps of General Missionaries is unchanged, and for continuity of effort and efficiency it is to be hoped that no more changes will occur soon.

A New Departure

In the valleys of the Shell and Greybull rivers in Wyoming arrangements have been made by which Rev. R. R. Hopton has an auto. By this means he covers seven organized points with regular preaching at least once every two weeks. It is eighty miles between his extreme points. These fields are thus covered much more efficiently and economically than could be done in any other way.. I am persuaded that this plan of using autos ought to be more widely adopted.

Evangelism

In my last annual report I asked for an evangelist for this division. On December 1, 1914, this hope was realized in the person of Rev. E. M. Steadman. He is to work in the more frontier portions of our territory. He has gone mostly to the small, weak and hard fields. In all such places he has doubled the membership and in some cases quadrupled the efficiency of the churches. No similar sum spent this last year has meant more for the future of our work and the Kingdom in this division than this. Ought we not to accept these blessings as tokens of the divine will that we shoud place more emphasis upon sane evangelism in the future? In one State there are more calls for his services than he could meet in the next two years. Yet there are five or six States where there is equal need.

City Missions

Our work in Kansas City, Kansas, is making steady progress under the continued leadership of Rev. Ray E. York. We ought to continue our helpfulness and emphasize it in the future.

In Des Moines, Iowa, we have entered upon co-operative relations with the City Mission Society, under the leadership of Rev. F. A. Case. A good beginning has been made.

In Denver we suffered a great loss in the death of the president of the City Mission Society, Dr. J. K. Richardson.

Special Features

In North Dakota we should give especial attention to work among the Russians, who are particularly open to us. Also to work among the Norwegians, who are the dominant people in that State. Our future there lies largely with these two peoples and our present opportunities should be seized.

On the whole it may be said that the work in this division is in a prosperous and progressive condition. On the other hand, there is opportunity for great improvement and enlargement if we had sufficient available funds.

Work Among Foreign Speaking Peoples

REV. CHARLES A. BROOKS, NEW YORK, SUPERINTENDENT

YOUR Superintendent assumed the duties of his office September 1, so his activities cover but seven months of this fiscal year.

Naturally, the most important thing has been the task of getting acquainted with the details of the department, the State Secretaries, City Mission Superintendents and the officers and leaders of the various national groups. He has had the privilege of visiting the annual meetings of several of our foreign-speaking conferences, viz., the Roumanian Conference, which met at Indianapolis; the Italian Conference at Orange, N. J.; the Swedish General Conference at St. Paul, and the Norwegian Conference at La Crosse, Wis.

Important conferences have been held with the Executive Committees of the Danish, Norwegian and the Swedish Conferences, and the School Committee of the Hungarian Conference. It was very clear to your Superintendent that if any real and abiding success was to be achieved in dealing with such a variety of languages and peoples that each of these racial groups had to be considered as a unit, and work among them planned on a national scale. These national organizations seem to be the logical channels through which the Society can exert the widest influence. The policy of the Home Mission Society whereby our missionary work among these people is done in co-operation with State organizations and city mission societies makes it very important that your superintendent should maintain close and sympathetic relations with the executive officers of these organizations. In December the annual meeting of the State and City Secretaries was held at Cleveland. This afforded an excellent opportunity for a frank and full discussion of many of the problems which are of vital importance to the success of the work of this department. A simple and comprehensive policy was submitted and was received with hearty and unanimous approval by the brethren represented in this Conference, and later the Board of the Society formally adopted it as a definition of the policy to be pursued in prosecuting this work in co-operation with the agencies with which we are in co-ordinate relations.

One of the most pressing needs has been that of training an efficient leadership among the foreign-speaking people. While the older groups among which we have been working have well equipped and efficient training schools, a fearful lack of any such schools is apparent among the newer immigration. Several attempts have been made to provide the needed training, and a number of disappointments met with, which have simply emphasized the urgency of this need. It appears now that it may be possible to begin, in a modest way, in the fall with a training school

in Chicago for the various Slav groups, and in Cleveland for the Hungarians and perhaps the Roumanians. In the absence of any other denominational agency to promote these enterprises, the Home Mission Society feels that it must, for the time being at least, stand back of the promotion of these schools.

The Superintendent would call attention to one or two of the groups among which we are at work as making a unique and special appeal to us as Baptists. The Roumanian people, who are here in large numbers, are especially hospitable to our message. In Roumania, where Baptists are the only Protestant denomination that is making any serious attempt to evangelize this people, there are about eight thousand Baptists. We have in this country a number of flourishing missions and one independently organized church; but there are about twenty groups of these people scattered over the country, with a few Baptists among them, where we could be doing a successful missionary work if we had the missionaries. In order to meet this emergency the Society has co-operated with the various missionaries in paying their expenses upon evangelistic tours to these unreared for fields—a plan which has met with gratifying results.

Our work among the Russians is another instance where the opportunity for missionary work is vastly greater than the supply of workers. The fact that many roving propagators of fanatical doctrines find their way among these shepherdless groups has made this situation almost tragic. The work among the Poles and Hungarians has been especially blessed this last year. In harmony with the well known policy of the Society to promote evangelism, plans have been made for carrying out a wide and systematic evangelistic activity among these foreign-speaking groups. Two general evangelists have been appointed to labor among the Swedish churches; men of very high character and ability, who have already demonstrated the possibilities of this service. As rapidly as the men and the means can be found, we are planning to appoint the same type of men for other groups.

It has been our privilege to present the opportunities and needs of this work among the foreign-speaking people before a number of State gatherings, pastors' conferences and local churches, and we have found very gratifying evidences of the intense interest in this aspect of our Home Mission problem. Further occasion for gratitude is found in the splendid spirit of many churches over the country that are located within easy access of foreign-speaking groups. We know of a large number of churches that are eagerly welcoming this close-range missionary opportunity, and without waiting for a missionary who can speak a foreign language, have sought and won scores of these people to Christ.

We believe that notwithstanding the overwhelming proportions of this missionary problem, the Lord is leading us to an ever increasing share

in the evangelization of the millions of these folk who have come to us from over the seas, and who are to play such an important part in the future life of America.

Germans

REV. G. A. SCHULTE, NEWARK, N. J., SUPERINTENDENT

THE mission work among the Germans has been prosecuted with remarkable success during the past year. The number of baptisms have been larger than in any previous year with the exception of one. During the winter months the labors of our General Evangelist, Rev. H. Schwendener, have been very successful. Brother Schwendener, who has been active in this capacity for over twenty years, reports the conversion of 131 persons in one district of North Dakota during the month of January. His labors have also been very successful in the new German settlements in Idaho and Montana. Quite a number of Germans have recently entered these two States, and mission work has been begun there. With the help of the Lord, three German churches have been organized in Idaho and the same number in Montana. Brother Graner, the first worker on the field in Idaho, baptized during the last quarter twenty converts.

It must be admitted that the war in Europe has greatly affected our German churches in this country. The close relationship that exists between members of the one nationality in different countries will naturally cause sympathy in times of suffering and distress. Although we may be loyal Americans, yet this feeling cannot be overcome. We have in our German churches people from Germany, Austria and Russia, who live in perfect harmony here, while their friends in Europe may be fighting in opposing armies. It can be surmised that the cry from their distressed friends in Europe was heeded by the German Baptists in America. Without any special effort, the large sum of over $14,000 was raised for the suffering brethren in Germany, Austria and Russia. During the past months a large number of appeals for aid from our stricken brethren in the war zone have been received by our Executive Committee. Our committee, after thoroughly investigating these appeals, have been able to render efficient assistance to many suffering families, which has been thankfully received and appreciated. We feared that this would diminish our income for missionary objects, and especially for our Home Mission work. We realized that special efforts would have to be made to raise the necessary amount for the prosecution of our work in this country. The outlook was rather dark in view of the business depression throughout the country. Since the outbreak of the war many of our people have been without employment. But

the Lord has wonderfully helped, so that we did not run behind, but rather came out a little ahead of last year's budget, through a small legacy received.

I am glad to report that the work among the Germans is still progressing. Our membership in the German churches has increased to 31,161. There were added by baptism during the past year 1,520. The membership of the Sunday-schools has increased to 26,572, an increase of 1,003 over last year's report. The churches raised last year for current expenses and other local objects $374,393.23, and for outside objects $103,485.91. This makes a total of $477,879.14. The value of church property is reported to be $2,601,793.86. This does not include our benevolent institutions, such as the two Homes for Aged, the two Girls' Homes, the German Baptist Students' Home in Rochester and the German Baptist Publication Society's plant at Cleveland, Ohio.

A new phase of our work is the appointment of a Field Secretary in connection with the German Baptist Publication Society, who is Rev. William Kuhn, of Philadelphia, Pa. Brother Kuhn's main duty is the furtherance of Sunday-school and Young People's work among our German churches. In several of our large cities Brother Kuhn has held a "School of Methods" for Sunday-school and Young People workers, which have proved to be very successful and of great benefit to those participating. As Field Secretary, the duties of Brother Kuhn include the visiting of all of our Sunday-schools and German Baptist churches in this country, inspiring the members to do more efficient work for their Master. Brother Kuhn is especially adapted for this work, and so far his efforts have been very successful.

The appointment of Rev. J. H. Moehlmann as "Pastor at Large" has proved a great success. The churches when changing pastors are often in great danger of losing ground. At such times they do not only need words of encouragement, but also a firm but loving hand to guide and lead them. Brother Moehlmann has rendered very efficient service in this capacity. Several of our churches have been brought from troubled waters into a haven of peace under the strong leadership of Brother Moehlmann, and have been able to call pastors who are now laboring in harmony and peace with their members.

Department of Education

PROFESSOR GILBERT N. BRINK, SUPERINTENDENT

FIRST impressions are usually vivid. They may be modified as to details by a fuller knowledge later, but in essentials they are likely to prove on the whole accurate.

My acquaintance with the education work of the Home Mission Society is too brief to warrant an attempt to interpret it in all its bearings, yet

certain definite impressions stand out so prominently before me at the close of my first general tour among our schools that I feel they point to some very significant facts.

The first of these significant facts is this:

The Negro presents the greatest Home Mission problem in the United States. He is 11,000,000 strong. Every ninth man in our country is a black man. We take great satisfaction in the figures that show the substantial progress the race has made during the last fifty years, but we are shocked when we learn that there are to-day more illiterate Negroes in the United States than there were at the close of the Civil War. With ignorance go inefficiency, superstition and vice, and in these lies the menace of the race problem. Against them only a trained Christian leadership will make headway. Our feeling of responsibility in connection with this great Home Mission problem is increased when we remember that more than 2,000,000 of the black men are Baptists.

The second of these significant facts is this:

There is urgent need for all we can give the Negro through our Christian schools. Trained Christian Negro leaders are essential to the solving of the Negro problem. Such leaders were never more needed than now, nor in such numbers as they are needed to-day. The positive Christian training necessary to create these leaders cannot be secured in the public schools. The colored Baptist churches are not able to supply this need, and the white Baptist churches of the South are not yet ready to attempt it; yet the training of men for wise and Christian leadership must not, cannot, be allowed to decrease. Our splendid Christian missionary schools planted throughout the South must be strongly maintained, so that they can continue to reach out after young men and young women, and train them for service in the Master's kingdom among the members of their own race.

The third of these significant facts is this:

There is great need for a moderate endowment for each of our higher schools. The necessity for the service that these schools are rendering will always exist. One-half million dollars of endowment will insure the permanency of any one of them, and will enable it to continue to render vital service among the colored people as long as the race lasts. Such an endowment will relieve the Home Mission Society of the burden of the school's maintenance, and so release funds for other needy fields. Let us hope that there are those who believe so strongly in the service that is being rendered by these schools, and in the need for this service, that they will help provide the endowment necessary to insure them a permanent and strong life.

The fourth of these significant facts is this:

Our missionaries in Cuba tell us that *our most hopeful point of contact is through the mission schools;* by reaching the children the parents are

reached also. In Cuba, as in the South, there is a crying need for trained teachers and preachers. We must have them both. The opportunity in Cuba is now ours, but it will not remain ours if we neglect it. The disturbed conditions in Mexico have driven many Catholic priests to Cuba, and already they are beginning to establish new schools throughout the island. We must not delay to strengthen the hands of our workers already on the field. The training of men and women for this service has been begun at El Cristo, but neither the plant nor the corps of teachers is adequate to the burden that even now rests upon it. $25,000 are needed to enlarge the dormitories and provide more class-room space. Will some one give it? $2,500 a year are also needed for the employing of teachers in the normal training and ministerial departments of the school. Here is an opportunity for some of our churches to render a splendid service by assuming the support of one or more of these special teachers. Our reports show a like need for the maintenance of strong Christian schools in Porto Rico and in Mexico.

Our mission schools are rendering a great service; one we cannot possibly do without, and they should be maintained by us in a great way.

REPORTS OF GENERAL MISSIONARIES

Arizona

REV. T. F. MCCOURTNEY, PHOENIX

CONDITIONS on most of our fields have been unfavorable, especially in the mining districts. But our forces have been courageous and the Lord has greatly blessed and helped.

Twenty-five missionaries from the Home Mission Society this year have cared for 28 churches and 22 out-stations. These missionaries have reported more than 100 baptisms; 2 churches have been organized, making in all 41 in the State; 2 churches have become self-supporting and 5 churches received less than they did the year before; 2 new mission fields have been occupied and at least 10 new fields should be occupied at once; 2 new edifices have been built and 4 more should be erected this coming year; there have been 197 baptisms during the year, and we now have about 2,145 members, which is not much increase over last year because of the dropping of non-residents and loss occasioned by closing down of mines and other financial reverses.

Two pastors have been employed as District Missionaries, and they have done very well, but could do much better with better conveyance. Salaries are too small to justify the use of autos, which would double the value of many of our missionaries.

In four cases two churches have been under the care of one pastor or missionary, but many of our churches are too far apart to be grouped in this manner.

We have tried to stress evangelistic work as far as possible without employing specialists. More meetings than usual have been conducted by pastors for neighboring churches and for their own. Eight meetings have been conducted by neighboring pastors, six or more have conducted meetings of their own and five meetings have been conducted by the General Missionary.

The Home Mission Society has furnished $5,702.10 for our regular mission work and $1,500 for our Indian work; and for building, $267.67 in gift and $400 loan toward the building of one new chapel. Our Convention has no fund for edifice work, but from our regular fund we have expended $78.78, and we have raised in full for State work $3,510 approximately, and for other beneficence about $3,500 or more, and for all purposes about $41,000.

The need for work among our Mexican population is increasing rapidly, and we should have one new mission at once. Our only Mexican mission has done well, but we are not doing our fair share of this work.

The Negro population of the State is increasing and is calling for more attention from us.

Our work among the Indians is encouraging, though too meager. There are two missions among the Hopis and one among the Navajos, so situated that one missionary can be pastor of all, though there are two women workers at each station.

The following table shows the growth of our work in the State for thirty years by decades.

TABLE SHOWING THIRTY YEARS' GROWTH

Year	No. M. Houses	Members	Val. Prop.	Self Support.	For Missions	No. Chs.
1914	31	2,099	$144,320	$30,209.25	$7,412.09	39
1904	10	686	37,500	15,130.00	1,563.00	15
1894	5	283	16,500	3,432.40	150.94	8
1884	4	125	12,500	800.00	15.00	5

(This table was prepared up to last year for the reason that our statistics for 1915 are not yet completed and I have been compelled to estimate and have to do that each year as our year closes April 1st.)

California, North

REV. C. W. BRINSTAD, BERKELEY

THE past year has been noted for a steady growth in all phases of our work rather than for the brilliant things accomplished. We have organized 4 new churches, occupied 7 new mission fields, added 1,239 to our churches by baptism, and 15 out-stations have been regularly cared for by our missionaries; we have had 5 Pastors-at-Large, or District Missionaries, and in many instances they have saved a number of fields to the denomination; 1 church has become self-supporting, and there are about 25 new fields that should be entered at once; 12 meeting-houses have been built, and at least 10 more should be this coming year. Owing to the great distances, it is practically impossible for us to group two or more churches under the pastoral care of one man, although in some instances it is done with good results.

We have placed special emphasis upon the evangelistic part of our work, having had Evangelists Sims and Holmes in the field on full time until the first of November. The Simultaneous Campaign is one feature of our work. Each association agrees to hold meetings in all the churches at the same time running for two weeks. Pastors of other churches with evangelistic talent are asked to preach at these meetings. The Convention bears all the expense except entertainment, and a free-will offering is taken during the meetings and sent to the State office to be used in pro-

moting the evangelistic work of the State. Besides the work done under the direction of the State Convention, a number of noted evangelists, such as Francis, Ostrom, Evans and many others, have held meetings in a number of our churches with splendid success.

We have recently appointed a missionary to three more nationalities: Mexican, Spanish and Portuguese. Mission stations have been opened up at Fresno, Sanger and Selma, and a number of Mexicans have been converted in each place. The converts have united with the American churches until such time as they are strong enough to organize a Mexican church. Additional missions will be opened as fast as practicable. Opportunities for work with the foreign-speaking people are greater than we can secure the funds to place missionaries with the different nationalities. To reach with the Gospel the thousands of foreigners that are coming here each year we should secure a worker for each language spoken. The immigrants now coming to our State are settling chiefly in the cities, especially in San Francisco and vicinity. It is almost impossible to touch them with the message of Christ except through a missionary of the same nationality. We are sure the Baptists of Northern California will rise to their opportunities.

California, South

REV. J. F. WATSON, LOS ANGELES

WITH a capable ministry and a loyal laity, the Baptists of Southern California are making steady advance. In life and doctrine they are conservatively progressive; in action, intensely aggressive, and a high standard of efficiency is maintained. The Southern California Baptist Convention is steadily enlarging its scope of activities. An efficient Edifice Department has been organized, a definite policy for mission work among the foreign-speaking peoples has been adopted, and closer co-operative relationships entered into with the national societies. The Convention is assisting in the support of student workers at the Universities of Berkeley and Palo Alto, and has also accepted the responsibility for the management and maintenance of the Atherton Villa, a Home for Aged Ministers and Missionaries.

During the year all the churches received by baptism 1,444 members; by letter and otherwise, 2,657, giving a total present membership, exclusive of the Afro-American churches, of 20,061, which is a net increase of 1,941 over last year.

Some more definite results in the past year's work may be summed up as follows: Thirty-four churches have received aid in the support of their pastors; 41 brethren have served part or full time as mission pastors, with 25 other general workers and missionaries for the foreign-speaking peoples. Services have been conducted at 4 mission stations for

Americans and 19 stations for foreign-speaking peoples. The Mission Pastors baptized 265 during the year; 6 new churches were organized, 2 new mission fields occupied, 6 meeting-houses erected for mission churches and 1 mission church became self-supporting during the year.

A present survey of the field indicates that four new fields should be occupied and three new church buildings erected during the ensuing year. In the strict sense of the term, no District Missionary has been employed during the past year, but a missionary to the Swedish people, one to the Japanese and two to the Mexicans, as well as the Convention Pastor, have performed duties that would ordinarily belong to this department. The services of these workers have been very valuable.

In Southern California there are but few instances where two or more churches can be grouped together under the care of one pastor, and in nearly every case efforts to group churches in this manner have failed to produce satisfactory results. The same can be said as to the care of out-stations. At present only two out-stations are under the care of pastors of mission churches. As yet no adequate and satisfactory evangelistic programme has been found in Southern California. During the past year several pastors have conducted revival meetings in their own churches or assisted other pastors in such meetings. Some meetings were under the direction of the Convention office, the Convention meeting the incidental expenses.

Colorado

F. B. PALMER, D.D., DENVER

A REVIEW of the development of our Baptist work in Colorado reveals steady and permanent progress along all lines of denominational activity. The outlook for our permanent upbuilding was never more promising than at present.

During the year 1914 the Colorado Baptist Convention, in co-operation with the American Baptist Home Mission Society, employed a General Missionary, a Pastor-at-Large, a State Evangelist and 48 Missionary Pastors. These workers are credited with 4,309 sermons, 2,101 prayer-meetings, and 14,705 calls. About 27 per cent. of the members in the Convention are on mission fields. We are glad to report that pastorates are longer and local conditions more encouraging. On these fields something over $20,000 has been expended for current expenses and benevolences. Apart from the help of the Convention and the Home Mission Society, these fields would not have enjoyed regular preaching.

Nine new churches have been organized during the fiscal year. Eight new mission fields have been occupied. Activity along the line of organizing new churches has not been as marked as in former years, owing to the fact that we deem it wise to better support those already organized.

The work of the new Student-Pastor in State Educational Institutions has been one of the outstanding features of the year's work. This gives great promise for the future.

Most encouraging is the fact that five mission churches have been able to assume self-support, and several others are receiving less aid than formerly.

At least ten fields never before occupied by the Baptists offer us a fine opportunity to start new work. As never before, the demand is made upon us to stress the work among foreign-speaking people, particularly in industrial centers and in the coal camps. At present we are co-operating with the Swedish and German Conferences and with the Great Western Colored Association.

1914 has been marked by unusual church building activity on both self-supporting and Mission fields. Eight new buildings have been erected and several remodeled. Five fields have already announced their purpose to erect new buildings this coming year.

The dominant note in our year's work has been evangelism. On mission fields alone more than 300 baptisms have been reported, while in the State at large 1,189 baptisms were reported. Beginning with our Convention fiscal year, November 1, 1914, and up to March 1, 1915, more than 1,000 baptisms have been reported.

District Missionaries have not been employed in Colorado as such, but many of our Missionary Pastors have from three to five out-stations, covering a large territory. We have found the work of a Pastor-at-Large to be most satisfactory. For the larger part of the year a State Evangelist was employed to good advantage, and plans are under way looking to the employing of two evangelists-at-large. Every one of our mission fields has received good results from evangelistic effort. In Denver and Colorado Springs good results were received from the Billy Sunday revival. The same is true from union meetings conducted at various centers by Evangelists Scoville, Bulgin and Pratt. However, as a rule, the results are more permanent and our local churches better strengthened and built up where special meetings are held in our own local churches.

We are specially pleased with the results of grouping two churches under one pastor. This has been done on eight fields, enabling them to secure a better type of men, and in every instance the union has been most satisfactory.

A most gratifying feature of our work has been the establishment and permanent supply of out-stations, with the local church as a center. Twenty-nine out-stations have been regularly supplied by our Missionaries.

Our greatest need at this time is to be able to provide Denver, our capital city, with a Superintendent of Missions. Nothing we could undertake would insure better results than to foster Missions already established and to start new ones at points of advantage in Denver.

$8,500 was contributed by the 15,000 Baptists in Colorado for State Missions, and similar liberality was shown for all our benevolences.

Our people have taken most kindly to the permanent headquarters at 367-368 Gas and Electric Building, Denver. In the rooms are represented our various denominational interests.

Idaho

REV. W. H. BOWLER, BOISE

MEASURED by the pronounced increase in receipts and expenditures, there is clear evidence that the work of our Convention made most significant growth last year. Some of us remember when our pay roll totaled $2,500 per year; last year it reached the sum of $14,000. Last year was one of the best in our history. Three new churches were organized, 16 Sunday-schools were started, 1 church edifice was erected, 2 parsonages were built, 249 baptisms were reported and 5 new fields were entered. As the largest amount of money received from any one source for the support of our work comes from the Home Mission Society, as has been true since the beginning of our history, the Baptists of Idaho in thinking of and rejoicing over their growth bear in mind that under God the encouraging results are quite largely due to the very generous financial support given them by this Society.

The missionaries have reported 1,164 weeks of labor, the equivalent of twenty and one-half men serving for the entire year. Among our force of field workers we have had a Pastor-at-Large and two District Missionaries. It is our judgment that no money we have invested has brought larger returns than that invested in these field workers. In six cases we have two or more churches grouped under the care of one pastor, and we find it more satisfactory to have two or more churches sharing the time of a strong, competent pastor than to have the full time of an inefficient man. Ten out-stations have been regularly supplied.

We have had a State evangelist under employment for three-fourths of his time. We feel that it is almost imperative that this work be continued. The Pastor-at-Large and the District Missionaries have also all given more or less time to evangelistic work. A number of pastors have held special meetings on their own fields and several have assisted on other fields. During the year our Convention spent for evangelistic work the sum of $1,223.59.

We have been constantly working at the problem of developing the local church to a higher degree of efficiency. The most fruitful method has been the holding of "Church Efficiency Conferences" with local churches. Generally a day and a half was given to each church and the Conferences were conducted by a team of three or four workers

who had given special attention to the needs and conditions of the ordinary church.

Because of a lack of funds a number of fields have had to go without pastors. Destitute fields have been untouched and the building of church edifices has been postponed. Eleven new fields should be occupied at once and nine church edifices should be built during the ensuing year. From many of these places pathetic and heart-stirring appeals come to us for assistance. Our ability to respond to these depends upon an increase in the appropriation for Idaho from the Home Mission Society. That the money appropriated to Idaho has been highly productive is evidenced by the following table, which shows the growth of Baptist work in Idaho during the last thirty years:

	No. of Churches	Meeting Houses	Member-ship	Value of Property	Raised for Local Work	Raised for Missions
1914	50	41	3,361	$202,535	$43,363.08	$6,840.72
1904	25	22	1,325	61,475	10,966.00	1,554.10
1894	13	10	582	36,300	6,464.00	204.61
1884	9	6	178	8,000	203.00	260.75
% of growth						

Kansas

REV. J. T. CRAWFORD, PARSONS

THE year 1914 did not bring the usual number of new church organizations or new meeting-houses. Following, as it did, a year of serious drouth, there was much conservatism among our people. While the harvest of wheat was phenomenal, its returns were not received in time to affect the period covered by this report. Only three new churches were organized and two houses dedicated.

Our denomination, however, experienced more than the usual increase in membership. The additions reported in our Annual were as follows: By baptism, 4,155; by letter, 1,870; otherwise, 958; total, 5,983. This is the largest number of baptisms reported in any one year of our history. The net gain in membership was 2,560. With the exception of a period in the eighties, when the influx of population was enormous, this is the largest recorded net gain of any year.

In its various plans of co-operative missionary work our Convention had 74 missionaries under appointment part or all of the time. Of this number, 53 were pastors, 5 general workers, 4 colporters, 2 chapel-car workers, 2 associational missionaries, 2 evangelists, 1 city missionary superintendent, 1 student-pastor, 1 worker among the Mexicans, and some

student-helpers with students. Altogether these workers labored 2,700 weeks. They preached 7,797 sermons, made 22,618 religious visits, baptized 767 converts, and otherwise added 605 to the membership of our churches.

The missionary pastors served 78 churches and 36 out-stations; 17 of them served more than one church and 26 of them one or more out-stations; 24 of them continued on their respective fields during the entire year, and the average term of appointment was thirty-eight weeks. The 78 churches aided had a total resident membership of 3,958. During the time they were assisted they gave $2,000 for benevolences and $29,463 for all purposes. This was at the rate of a little more than $10 per capita per year for all purposes. The rate for our American churches in the State was approximately $10.66. During the year 8 mission churches came tc self-support.

The Home Mission Society continued its helpful co-operation. The total assistance from the Society in the missionary work was $1,500. In the Church Edifice Department, in co-operation with the Convention, the Society paid its pro rata of four gifts amounting to $1,000, and in addition made loans to the amount of $1,100. Both the help and the splendid spirit of the Society in all this work are greatly appreciated by our people.

The year now before us offers opportunities for yet larger labors. Not only must the regular work be carried forward, but at least ten new fields should be entered and twelve new houses of worship erected for mission churches.

Minnesota

REV. E. R. POPE, MINNEAPOLIS

DURING the year closing March 31, 1915, 70 men have been under appointment; 55 of these were missionary pastors, 5 were students and 10 were general workers. The pastors and students served 64 churches and 50 out-stations, and the general workers gave special service to at least as many more churches. The membership of the mission churches is 3,322, or 12.8 per cent. of the Baptists in the State; the 71 Sunday-schools connected with the mission churches enroll 4,166 members. The Sunday congregations averaged 3,259 and the Sunday-schools 2,718.

Some results are seen in 8 new fields occupied, besides several out-stations; in 4 churches organized; in 6 Sunday-schools begun; in the reception of 633 new members, 440 of whom were baptized. The mission churches raised $32,445.94 for all purposes, $4,436.11 of which was for beneficence. Six churches became self-supporting during the year, 4 new ones were helped; 10 church buildings were dedicated (8 being assisted by Church Edifice gifts); 3 houses of worship are now under construction, and probably 6 others will be begun this summer.

It is difficult to group churches under one pastor. While there have been eight such groups, only four are at all successful, and one of these certainly requires two men. Occasionally a church discontinues services because of the shifting population or special local conditions, but this must be expected and need in no way dishearten.

The general workers have emphasized special revival meetings, and several excellent evangelists, not under appointment, have given good service. The year has been a very fruitful one. The work of the six District Missionaries and the City Superintendent in Minneapolis is regarded as indispensable. The unity of our work conducted among Danes, Finns, Germans, Bohemians, Roumanians, Norwegians, Swedes and Americans is worthy of note.

Advance is witnessed by the following facts: (a) the appointment of a second District Missionary among the Swedes; (b) the placing of a City Superintendent in Duluth to work among all nationalities; (c) the securing of an investigator and the beginning of work among the Bohemians of New Prague and vicinity; (d) the reception of four Roumanians into the church at International Falls and the starting of regular services there for this nationality; (e) the establishment of four new preaching stations in Minneapolis; (f) the resuscitation of the St. Paul Baptist Union; (g) the union of Bethel Academy and the Swedish Theological Seminary, and its establishment and erection of buildings in St. Paul. The influence of this school is already manifest in Swedish and other churches, and it will prove an ever-increasing and valuable factor in Minnesota mission work.

There are now as many openings for Baptist work as at any time in twenty years; and this last year has been one of the best in our history. If our finances can be rightly cared for, and the deficit of last fall provided for, and additional sums secured, the Baptists of Minnesota may make very large advance in the immediate future. Minnesota Baptists confidently expect and will heartily welcome the Northern Baptist Convention to Minneapolis in 1916.

Montana

REV. THOMAS STEPHENSON, HELENA

GREAT opportunities are presented to us in this State. We have about 25,000,000 acres of arable land yet to be cultivated. Thousands of people are coming into Montana to develop the undeveloped resources.

The great missionary societies of all denominations are feeling the pressure of this task of evangelizing the coming thousands because of the lack of money. In the new districts, where young and old are making homes, the forces of evil are in advance of the railroads and the Christian Sabbath is not regarded with reverence.

During the past year two church edifices costing $8,000 each have been dedicated free from debt; both of them are a credit to our denomination and monuments for the Master. Two churches have assumed self-support and are among the best contributors to the world's evangelization. Four new churches have been organized during the year and several mission stations have been opened by both missionaries and pastors of self-supporting churches. We report more baptisms in our annual than we have done for some years. Several revival meetings have just been conducted with good results and others are arranged for. We need to erect six new church edifices soon.

The great need in Montana is for strong men to take charge of large districts, preaching at each point once each month or more frequently if possible until the country develops, preparing the way for strong organizations after we know there will be permanence in the settlers.

Nebraska

REV. FRED BERRY, LINCOLN

THE programme watchword at our last State Convention meeting was "Steady Advance." Progress has been made in every department of our work in Nebraska.

We have organized 3 churches, occupied 3 new mission fields, 10 churches have become self-supporting, 7 new church buildings have been erected or remodeled, 35 missionaries have worked under the direction of our board for part or all time during the last twelve months. There are now more than twenty fields which should be occupied as soon as possible and six new church buildings should be built this coming year. Some of the special features of our work are here noted:

First—*The Resurrection of Dead Churches.* In the last four years more than thirty-six that had either given up and closed their doors or had not had a pastor for a long time and were hopeless have opened their doors, started on their work and now have pastors. This work has been going forward during the last twelve months.

Second—*Evangelization.* Evangelization has been a clear note sounded throughout the State, and between 115 and 120 series of special campaigns have been held. We have had two regular pastor evangelists, one a State evangelist and the other a district evangelist, working under the State Convention and Home Mission Society. The work of the State Evangelist and District Missionary cannot be too highly spoken of. In my judgment, this is the most needed work to be done in our State in order to open new fields, resurrect dead churches and encourage the weaker ones. We have also had nine Baptist evangelists working independently. We have had five union evangelistic campaigns in the State with strong leaders and helpers and forty-two of our pastors have held

one or more series of meetings. While in many of these meetings there had not been a large ingathering, yet the people have been led to pray and to work for the salvation of others. This has stimulated the life of Christ in the hearts of believers as well as brought many to him. We have had 912 baptisms, received by letter 543 and experience 234. We have lost by letter 659, experience and exclusion 434 and by death 155, making a net gain of 521. Our churches are better supplied with pastors than they have been for a long time and pastors and churches are settling down to more permanent relations than have existed in former years. There seems to be a unity in our work and we are bound together for the common task that Baptists are set to do for the State, for our nation and for the world.

Third—*Our Single Collecting Agency.* Our single collecting agency is bringing good results. Our churches are getting the budget habit and a large number are proving their loyalty to the cause of general missions.

Nevada-Sierra

REV. GEORGE N. GARDNER, RENO

STATISTICS [illegible] they give the visible results. More secure foundations, a harmonious, united effort and the greatest spiritual awakening in the history of the Convention are worthy of note.

Exclusive of the Superintendent, 9 missionaries have been employed, rendering 312 weeks of service, serving 10 churches and supplying 8 out-stations. They report 860 sermons, 2,949 calls, 18 candidates baptized, 5 Sunday-schools and 1 church organized.

One District Missionary has served one church and five out-stations with excellent results. One pastor has served three churches in a field about fifteen miles square, held special meetings at each point, with the result that several have been baptized.

One church has assumed self-support and all other missionary churches are working to that end.

Five mission fields have been occupied during the year, but it will be impossible to sustain them all with the present force.

There is immediate need of one new church edifice and the removing and remodeling of another.

Three pastors with ability and willingness to care for a church and one or more out-stations are needed at once.

No evangelist has been employed during the year, the Superintendent having assisted in five series of special meetings covering a period of more than six weeks.

Heretofore nothing has been attempted among foreign-speaking peoples

in the State, but the Russians are now colonizing in considerable numbers and will require our immediate attention.

The co-operative expenses are about $5,000, which means strict economy in every line, and prayerful planning to apply the money where it will count the most in foundation work. The financial depression has had its effect, yet the spirit of optimism prevails. The present irrigation projects when completed will open several thousand acres of rich farming land and insure the settlement of many families within the next few years.

North Dakota

REV. C. E. TINGLEY, GRAND FORKS

BAPTIST work in North Dakota is generally considered discouraging. In illustration of this is the fact that, not including the German churches, there have been employed thirty-four missionaries, of whom but thirteen have served an entire year. Of twenty-one pastors and workers among our English-speaking churches in the State, only seven have been on their present fields longer than one year. Nevertheless, our fields are better manned than they have been.

While the population in the State has been increasing at a rapid rate, yet this increase is scattered over a great territory, making aggressive work difficult. There has also been a large exodus of English-speaking people, caused by the increase of land values and the offer of cheaper lands elsewhere, and they have been selling out mostly to foreign-speaking people. During the year one Swedish church has been organized. Work has been opened up on several new fields that are being cared for as out-stations of other churches. Calls are coming to us far beyond our ability to enter new fields in the growing West. Three new lines of railroad are being built, with towns springing up almost with mushroom growth, and although Baptist families are moving in, we are unable to enter because of lack of funds. There are districts in our State covering several hundred miles square without religious privileges of any kind. The entire country west of the Missouri River, including over 20,000 square miles, has not a single English-speaking Baptist church. One man took his daughter 75 miles to have her baptized. Several places in that Western country could be occupied by the Baptists. Some of our churches in older parts of the State are dying because of lack of means to give them services.

During the past year we have built one house of worship in a Swedish mission field at Drayton. The Home Mission Society has aided the Lidgerwood Church in making an heroic struggle to save their property, and their entire indebtedness is now paid. Cavalier, a new county seat town, is raising funds for a new building. The Russian Church at Kief is trying to raise funds to furnish a house for its mission field at Dogden.

Our churches have reported 331 baptisms during the year, of which

136 were in churches aided by the Convention. We had a State evangelist at work during the first few months of the year, but lack of funds has prevented a continuance of this work, though a number of special meetings have been arranged for with assistance of pastors and some of the Publication Society workers.

Of our Missionary pastors, nine are serving two or more churches. This might be increased except for the scattered condition of our work. Seventeen out-stations are being cared for by our Missionary pastors.

North Dakota will long be a Mission field. Over 70 per cent. of our population are foreigners, and two-thirds of our Baptist Church members are members of foreign-speaking churches. We have a special responsibility for work among these people. While we are fewer in number than some of our sister denominations among the English-speaking churches, yet we outnumber all except the Lutherans in work among the foreigners. A special problem is ours in caring for these foreign-speaking churches as they pass through the transition which surely awaits them all, of becoming Americanized. We believe we are solving this question to a large extent among our Scandinavian churches in the splendid relationship that exists between them and our State Convention, they bearing the same relation to our State work as do the English-speaking churches.

Rev. A. H. Nikolaus is giving his full time to general work among the Russians, and Rev. Ole Larson among the Scandinavians. Their work has been of a high order, and the results are in evidence. We have no district workers among our English-speaking churches.

Oregon

REV. O. C. WRIGHT, PORTLAND

IN OUR work there has been marked progress the past year. The Convention employed 39 missionaries, rendered 764 weeks of service, and up to October 1 has added 698 to our mission churches, 262 of these by baptism. Total expenditure of money, $21,473.74. The year began with a deficit of $2,500 and closed with a balance in the treasury of $500.

Special emphasis has been laid upon Associational and Church Efficiency Institutes. The observance of State Convention Day, at which time carefully prepared programs setting forth Convention historical matter and the present needs of our year were utilized. Missionary interest has been greatly increased. Special attention has been given to the Every Member Canvass campaigns. Effort was made to interest the churches in the foreign-speaking peoples in their own communities. Considerable success in developing out-station work has been attained. Larger and more regularity in contributions has been secured. Real evangelistic zeal has been observed throughout practically all of our churches. Denominational solidarity has been greatly increased and magnified. So that more than ever Oregon Baptists are united in the great common task.

Only one church has been organized, because we believe in the policy of grouping mission stations around a strong, self-supporting church wherever this is possible. We have occupied 26 new mission fields; 4 churches have become self-supporting; have built 5 buildings and secured 1 by purchase and remodeled a number of others; more than 30 out-stations have been cared for regularly by our missionaries; we have employed 3 District Missionaries and 1 Convention Pastor. Strong emphasis should be laid upon the value of the work of the District Missionaries. A State as large as is Oregon will for many years to come have hundreds of small rural communities that are unable to maintain independent churches, but will demand occasional visits from the District Missionary. By special meetings and wise oversight he can conserve and build up the religious interests of these small communities. Too much emphasis cannot be laid upon the value of this type of service.

The grouping of churches is more favorably received than formerly. Our greatest obstacle to the highest success of this plan is the long distances between churches. However, ten groupings of this description have been secured. Our greater need, however, is to develop out-station work around the churches now organized, thus building up a parish so geographically related to the organized Church that one man can with advantage care for half a dozen out-stations accessible from the organized Church. By the above plan at least thirty out-stations have been regularly cared for by our missionaries. In addition to these out-stations and the new mission fields named above that have been opened this year, there is at this time opportunity for the occupancy of at least thirty more.

Upon a conservative estimate, there should be built not less than seven meeting-houses in the ensuing year.

The work of evangelism has been especially gratifying, there having been held not less than one hundred meetings, covering nearly every section of the State, resulting in a larger number of conversions and baptisms than we have been able to record for years past. We have spent less money and have secured larger results. Oregon Baptists are developing their latent spiritual resources, and the new year opens most hopefully.

Oregon Baptists have profound gratitude to the Society for its continued liberal aid.

South Dakota

REV. S. P. SHAW, SIOUX FALLS

DURING the year we have organized 3 new churches and occupied 14 new mission fields. Two churches have become self-supporting and at least a dozen new fields ought to be occupied during the coming year. Three new church buildings have been erected and four have been re-

modeled. Four new parsonages have been built. There ought to be five or six new church buildings erected during the coming year; 642 persons were baptized into our churches and 429 received otherwise, making a total gain of 1,071. We have had one General Evangelist, one Pastor-at-Large for full time and another for part of the year. A number of independent evangelists have done work in the State, and a large amount of evangelistic work has been done by pastors exchanging with each other in this work.

We have also had a Field Missionary in the Danish-Norwegian Conference and one in the Swedish Conference.

One of the especially interesting features of the work in our State has been the interest shown by the pastors of the larger churches in caring for the out-stations. One pastor in a good town church has four out-stations. Several more have two out-stations each and quite a number of pastors have one out-station. This we feel to be very important, and this line of work is being encouraged more and more.

Where the churches are small we strive to group two or three churches together in the support of one pastor. We have one pastor who serves three regularly organized churches and has four other out-stations.

During the past year our missionaries cared for 76 churches and out-stations. There are many fields that ought to be occupied and many more out-stations where regular services should be established.

Utah

REV. W. H. BOWLER, BOISE

SUBSTANTIAL and encouraging progress has been made in Utah during the past year. The Burlington Mission, of Salt Lake City, which was established many years ago by the First Church, was organized into an independent church with some fifty or sixty members. Another church was organized at Ogden by the Negro Baptists of the city. The most important and significant building operation of the year was the completion of the Immanuel Church, Salt Lake City. By the aid of a liberal proposition from the Home Mission Society the necessary funds for completing this church were secured and this beautiful and imposing structure was completed, giving our denomination the most attractive and commodious church edifice in the city. The Swedish Baptists of Salt Lake City erected a very neat and attractive building. The Burlington and Rio Grande churches of Salt Lake City acquired the properties which were formerly mission stations of the Immanuel Church. The Negro church of Ogden has also provided itself with an edifice during the year. The number of baptisms reported is 37.

A series of Church Efficiency Conferences was held by a strong team

of local church experts, which visited nearly every church in the Convention field.

Some of the most significant developments on our field have been due directly to the half-time services of a Pastor-at-Large. A District Missionary in addition to the Pastor-at-Large is greatly needed.

Through the generous support of the Home Mission Society, we have had one-fourth time of a State evangelist. Several pastors have held meetings in their own fields and some have also assisted neighboring pastors. Utah Baptists most heartily appreciate the Society's large outlay in the State. But more is needed. Two fields where there are church edifices and organized churches are without pastors for lack of missionary resources. Two new fields recently opened by field workers most urgently appeal for assistance. At our last State Convention a unanimous vote was most heartily passed adopting a State Mission budget twice that of the previous year. Even with that amount we shall yet be unable to undertake any new work without increased appropriation from the Home Mission Society.

A comparative table covering thirty years of Baptist history in Utah:

	No. of Churches	No. of Meeting Houses	Member-ship	Value of Property	Raised for Local Work	Raised for Missions
1914	14	14	1,183	$132,800	$22,383.81	$835.00
1904	10	10	1,006	81,000	11,841.00	873.32
1894	5	4	449	74,500	2,854.00	80.69
1884	2	2	132	22,000	1,280.00	.....
% Gain	700	700	896	604	1,700	1,000

East Washington

REV. F. R. MARGETTS, SPOKANE

FOR our Convention year ending September 30, 1914, there was decided progress, although the Lord called home our highly consecrated and beloved leader, Rev. W. C. King.

A staggering indebtedness of about $5,000 was reduced 50 per cent.; there were 416 baptisms, an increase of 25 per cent. over the preceding year, the larger portion of which were the result of evangelistic work; 3 church edifices were built, 2 churches were organized, 1 new mission field has been occupied, 13 out-stations are regularly cared for by missionaries, and in four instances two or more churches have been grouped under the care of one pastor.

We have quite a number of pastorless churches and fields which we cannot satisfy with men, owing to lack of funds. In some instances

we have been hard pressed by incoming denominations, who seem to have more money than we could command. We have not been occupying new fields during the year, but have been devoting our time to strengthening the work already established. Our great need is District Missionaries of ability, who can be provided with automobiles. We ought to occupy twelve new fields and build three meeting-houses this year.

The financial condition of our people generally is deplorable, some of our most liberal brethren now facing serious financial adversity. Quite a number of our churches are located in fruit sections and are seriously feeling the lack of a profitable market for fruit. In spite of all this they have in many instances heroically met their apportionment. The outlook for the new year is brighter than it has been for many years.

Western Washington

REV. JOSEPH W. BEAVEN, D.D., SEATTLE

THIS year has been a very trying one. Most of our lumber mills have been closed from six months to a year. This means that out of a population of 750,000, 90,000 men have been out of usual employment and the usual disbursement of about $100,000,000 annually has been curtailed. From some of our Baptist churches located in towns where lumber interests prevail, reports have been coming that not one of the wage-earners has had work for as much as six consecutive months. This depression, coming at the time when the offerings for State work were being taken, and after advance work had been begun, left the Convention $2,000 in debt at the close of our fiscal year. While we have made a strong effort to curtail our expenses, it has been almost futile, since the need of help is far greater than it would be under normal conditions. Our present accomplishments would not have been possible except for many examples of heroic sacrifice. We have had at this writing eleven men giving all their time to the ministry during the year who have not received more than $1 a day. We have been able to give aid to two of these by mortgaging our future.

With the assistance of the Home Mission Society we have employed forty men this year for all or a part of their time. We have also employed four general workers under the co-operative plan. Their assistance has been of incalculable value, especially in the occasions of the crises and discouragements of mission churches. We ought to double this force to care for our vacant churches. The missionary pastors' work would represent an accumulation of twenty-eight years of service for one man. They have given service to 48 churches, supplied 31 additional places held as out-stations and directed over 55 Sunday-schools. They have received 193 by baptism and 348 otherwise. This work is carried on among Americans, Swedes, Norwegians, Danes, Finns, Chinese and Japanese, and in some communities people of many other nationalities are

reached to a small degree. Our foreign population is increasing rapidly. The field is little cared for. We ought to have a General Missionary among Greeks, Danes, Finns and the Slavic peoples.

On twenty-one of our fields our missionaries have held special evangelistic services, and if these services had been held consecutively they would have amounted to fourteen months of continuous meetings. All of the other missionaries have made their Sunday evening services evangelistic in character. In one place only was a professional evangelist used. In the others the pastors conducted their own meetings or secured the assistance of a fellow-pastor. This attitude toward evangelism is general throughout the Convention. Many of our churches could be brought to self-support if we could carry on a well-organized evangelistic work with them.

Five of our churches are sadly in need of new edifices; in six other places held as mission stations we shall have to put up buildings if we establish our work. At these stations perhaps one-half of the initial cost will have to come from sources outside of the fields themselves.

We have not been able to consider any new fields for the reason that we now have twenty-two mission churches without pastors. Of these, eight have no regular services of any character. Only as some itinerant of another faith may use them are the buildings opened to the public, while the others have only Sunday-schools or occasional preaching services as some of our pastors or field workers can reach them. In some of these places our building is the only religious edifice in the community. Our specific task is so evidently to take care of what we have that until we are able to make a better showing we must give it exclusive attention. We must have more funds at our disposal before even this will be possible and we shall try to secure them as soon as the times are in the least promising.

Wyoming

REV. J. F. BLODGETT, CASPER

NO NEW churches have been organized during the past year, but every field already occupied has been cultivated to a greater or less degree. This was my first problem in Wyoming—to get fields manned. Now that this problem has been greatly solved, it may be expected that the churches will grow toward self-support and so release funds for new work.

Work has been resumed at Kane; the Hulett-Alva field now has ten stations instead of two; Hopton, the Automobile Missionary in the Basin country, has added two new stations to the seven he was given, and by the use of a car is doing more work than three men could do with teams. He has not missed an appointment during the entire winter.

At Douglas, an important town of 2,800 population, we expect to organize a church soon. The prospects at this time are very bright at Douglas, and we expect to organize with not less than 50 members.

One church has been built at Durham and another is being built at Kelley, in the Jackson Hole country.

We should organize at Dwyer, build a good house at Douglas, also at Kane and at Clearmont.

The Government expects to open a new unit of the irrigation project, of which Powell is the center, and as a new town will be built, we must be prepared to enter promptly, as we did at Powell, where we now have over 100 members.

There have been 217 baptisms and our membership is now 1,701. We are hoping to reach 2,000 by fall.

We have had one District Missionary for a period of five months.

The General Missionary has conducted five evangelistic campaigns, and Rev. E. M. Steadman, Division Evangelist for the Home Mission Society, has worked in our State since December. His work has been very satisfactory and many have been converted in his meetings.

Of the 17 missionaries and pastors in the State, 10 have cared for more than one church; 15 missionaries have served 41 stations, 26 of which were out-stations. All pastors and colporters have served regularly 40 stations.

If funds were available I should favor entering five new fields besides Douglas.

Mexico

REV. GEORGE H. BREWER, MEXICO CITY, SUPERINTENDENT

OWING to the disturbed conditions, no report was presented from this field one year ago, and we regret exceedingly that these disturbances have continued throughout the year, making it difficult to carry on our work in any such way as we would if the situation were normal. Nevertheless, we are gratified to be able to say that our work on the whole is in a very satisfactory condition. To judge from the reports given in the daily press, one might conclude that the Mexican situation was hopeless, and that it would be best to suspend all work until the present upheaval is a thing of the past, but permit me to point out several hopeful features of our work in Mexico.

Notwithstanding the enforced absence of several of our missionaries and teachers, the work of the churches has been well sustained, and with few exceptions all of the fields have been cared for throughout the year, some of them actually reporting successful revival meetings with many additions by baptism.

The church at Montemorelos was without pastoral care for six months, but the deacons and lay members faithfully maintained the services

throughout that period, notwithstanding the fact that the city was besieged for many weeks and cut off from all outside assistance. The pastor has since returned and continues faithful at his post.

The church at Linares lost its pastor early in the year, Rev. Anatolio Bautista, who joined the ranks of the revolutionists. One of our students of the Monterey Theological School was sent to take his place and has faithfully maintained the work. The church now reports a larger attendance with a greater number of baptisms during the year than for ten years past.

The church in Ciudad Victoria has also suffered considerably on account of the war. For seven months it was impossible to send the salary of the pastor, Rev. Moises E. Guajardo, but, undaunted by this handicap, he converted his back yard into a primitive soap factory and made soap to sell in the public plaza and thus sustained himself and family throughout the trying siege. During this time there were conversions and baptisms and the last report was very encouraging.

The city of Tampico has also suffered several serious bombardments during the past two years, but our pastor at that point, Rev. Policarpo Barro, has steadfastly remained at his post, even exposing himself and family to great peril in order to stay by his people. At one time it was necessary for him to send his family on board a warship which happened to be in the harbor, but he himself remained at the church with a large company of members and friends, and through his fidelity the property was spared destruction at the hands of some angry soldiers, who threatened to take possession of it to use as a barracks. The latest letter from Tampico tells of overflowing congregations and the urgent need for a new building, the present house being entirely inadequate for our work in that city. This church was organized in 1906 with seven members. It now has a membership of nearly 100.

During the year we have purchased an entire block in the residence district of Mexico City, known as "Colonia Roma," for the proposed hospital. The titles are perfect and the location advantageous, and it is expected that active building operations will begin on this property as soon as conditions are anything like normal.

The Mexico City Church has six out-stations, where active work has been carried on throughout the year, notwithstanding the many disturbances, the church having made steady progress, and now has a larger Sunday-school than ever it has had in its history.

Rev. E. R. Brown and family, together with two young lady teachers of the W. A. B. H. M. S., Miss Victoria Wikman and Miss Lilah Kirby, have remained in Puebla throughout the year in the midst of many vicissitudes and actual danger on account of street battles fought in Puebla between the contending armies. On one occasion some drunken soldiers entered the service and with their guns threatened to put an end to the lives of Pastor Brown and his helpers, but in the good providence of

God their guns did not go off when they pulled the trigger, and after creating considerable disturbance and dragging some of the people attending the service out into the street by the hair of the head, they went away and did not return to molest the missionary.

Dr. C. E. Conwell, our Medical Missionary, who was absent from his field nine months, has returned to Mexico. He is temporarily making his headquarters in the city of Puebla with Missionary Brown, and reports that he is having innumerable calls to aid the sick and suffering, as there are but few physicians left in any part of the country. He will return to his work in Mexico City as soon as it is prudent for him to do so.

During the year perhaps the most conspicuous development in our work is the agreement, now practically approved by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the W. A. B. H. M. S., and our own Society, looking to a co-operative plan in educational work throughout Mexico. It is proposed to establish two secondary schools, one for boys and one for girls, and a theological seminary for the students preparing for the ministry under the joint auspices of these three societies. This plan when put into execution will have a far-reaching effect on all our work in Latin America. It is also proposed to have a joint publishing plant in the City of Mexico sustained by the Home Mission Society and the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Our theological school at Monterey has been closed during the year owing to the disturbed political conditions, but students have been employed as assistants on a number of the fields, thus keeping them occupied in religious work and ready at any time to return to their studies should the school open.

It is worthy of mention that the day schools maintained by the W. A. B. H. M. S. at Monterey, Mexico City and Puebla have made steady progress throughout the year with a large enrollment, surpassing that of any previous year since the work was begun, although the American teachers, with the exception of the school at Puebla, have been obliged to leave the work in the hands of native Mexicans. These three day schools have had a combined enrollment of over 700 children throughout the year.

The following summary of the work in Mexico will reveal the present status of our work:

Number of missionaries employed	29
Fields occupied	28
Weeks' service	1,260
Churches and out-stations supplied	46
Sermons preached	2,724
Prayer meetings attended	1,540
Families religiously visited	9,272
Bibles and testaments distributed	698
Pages of tracts distributed	122,595

Baptisms reported	112
Received by letter and experience	70
Total number church members	1,307
Number of Sunday-schools	34
Number of Sunday-schools organized	2
Average attendance in Sunday-schools	1,320
Benevolence contributions	$824.65
Money received toward self-support	2,350.00

Our task in Mexico is clear. The Mexicans now know that the attitude of the United States is friendly and not hostile. We are to act the part of neighbors and render assistance to our distressed and needy sister republic. We are to minister to rich and poor alike. We are to reveal the power of a living religion in contrast to a dead one which has failed utterly to benefit the people of Mexico intellectually or morally. In our schools we are developing leaders who will be able to take their places to help Mexico to assume her rôle as a great, free and prosperous nation, a peer in the sisterhood of Spanish-American republics.

Eastern Cuba

REV. A. B. HOWELL, EL CRISTO, SUPERINTENDENT

Missionaries

THERE are some things which stand out clearly this year as marks of encouragement. First, that the individual members of our native church are beginning to feel a deeper responsibility for the salvation of those around them, and second, a greater desire to contribute, as never before, to the support of their ministry.

As an example of the first, we have two communities which have been evangelized and several converts baptized as the result of the personal work of individual members of two different churches who went to these new places to work, and, of the second, we have a district assuming the entire support of two native workers.

Steps were taken this year to come into closer fellowship and co-operation with the Baptists at the western end of the island, when the Eastern Cuba Convention appointed a committee to draw up a plan for the union of our two denominational papers into one, which should be known as "El Bautista Cubano" (The Cuban Baptist). This is the first step toward a closer union between these two Baptist bodies in the work of winning Cuba for Christ.

These hopeful signs give us great encouragement for the coming year to face the constantly growing difficulties in the mission work of Cuba. Immorality and indifference to evangelical Christianity are growing; with legalized cock-fighting, government lottery and a possibility of a law being passed to permit bull fighting, with the principal city of the island prom-

ising to be the sporting center for North America, it is certainly encouraging to see our native brethren standing up squarely against these things, and to this end the Eastern Cuba Convention passed a resolution of protest, which is to be sent to the Cuban Congress.

We regret to report that on account of sickness, Rev. Fred J. Peters, who has done such splendid work both as a pastor and evangelist, was compelled to give up this work and return to the States. We were fortunate in securing the services of Rev. A. B. Reekie, who has had many years' experience in Bolivia, under the Canadian Baptist Board. Mr. Reekie has taken Mr. Peters' place at Bayamo.

We were glad to have with us again this year, if only for a few days, Dr. C. L. White, also to greet Professor G. N. Brink, the new Superintendent of Education, who visits Cuba for the first time. Professor Brink speaks the Spanish language and was able to address the brethren in their native tongue. The Convention also remembered Dr. Morehouse, in whom the Cuban Mission has always had a great friend.

Educational

(From the report of Robert Routledge, Principal of the Colegios Internationales and Chairman of the Primary School Committee.)

During the eight years which have passed since the establishment of our institution for higher education at Cristo, known as the "Colegios Internacionales," we have had an average of twelve teachers and between 150 and 190 pupils. This year the enrollment up to the present time is 164. A good many of these come from our churches, but still the majority are from homes where there is no evangelical teaching. This gives us a splendid opportunity for religious work. As was natural at the beginning, a great majority of these children were in the primary department. By vote of the Convention last year, it was decided that a forward step be taken by the Colegios Internacionales to meet the requirements of the laws of Cuba governing institutions of higher education, which wish to give the course leading to the A.B. degree. This was effected last August, so that now we are able to offer in this institution the preparatory and two years' work in the A.B. course. In June of this year we hope to have twenty-five pupils who will be ready to take the official examination as graduates from the preparatory and so begin in September our first regular class for the Bachelor's degree.

Since the year 1909-10 we have had a course Theology and Normal, and every year some of our best students have been in one of these special courses, so that to-day six of our native pastors and eight of our teachers in our primary schools have prepared themselves in these courses.

Students who do not pay full tuition are required to pay in service the proportion not paid in money.

About the time we started the Normal and Theological departments,

we began in our different missions to open primary schools, which we hoped would be feeders to our college in Cristo. This year we have received the first fruits of this work when six pupils came to us from our primary school at Guantanamo to enter the freshman class for the A.B. work. These primary schools are nearly all in charge of graduates of the Baptist Training School of Chicago, who pay the salaries of these teachers. The native assistant teachers are paid from the tuition collected in these schools. The success which attended our educational work from the beginning is very marked. In our schools we are providing for the education and religious training of over six hundred of some of the best children in the two eastern provinces of Cuba.

In conclusion let me reaffirm the importance of this educational work. The school work in Cuba, under Christian influences, presents one of the greatest opportunities to be found in gospel work. The problem which the work presents is still only partially solved. Our greatest present need is teachers—more trained teachers. A number of young women of much promise are each year graduating from our college at Cristo. They are being employed as rapidly as possible as helpers in our primary schools, but we are always in need of leaders for these schools. As yet these leaders can only be supplied from the North. The Woman's Board of Chicago have sent us some excellent workers, but we need more than they seem able to send us. We need more of those who, having learned the language, will stay permanently in the work. There are at least three places where promising schools could be opened if we were only sure of the leaders for these schools. Send us more trained teachers, who will give at least ten years of their lives to the work in Cuba.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Present number of churches	52
New churches organized	1
Out-stations	48
Number of English-speaking missionaries	6
Number of native and Spanish missionaries	25
Number of baptisms during the year	231
Present membership in churches	1,768
Bibles and testaments distributed	556
Pages of tracts distributed	2,746,230
Contribution for Convention work	$2,874.20
Contribution for foreign mission work	109.06
Contribution for all work	6,453.64
Present number of chapels	37
Number of missionary residences owned	9
Number of missionary residences rented	12
Present number of Sunday-schools	56

Teachers in Sunday-schools	168
Number of pupils enrolled	2,254
Number of colleges and high schools	1
Number of teachers in College	10
Number of primary schools	11
Number of American teachers in primary schools	7
Number of native teachers in primary schools	15
Number of pupils in primary schools	575
Value of churches, parsonages and lots	$118,000.00
Value of school property	50,000.00
Total valuation of all properties	168,000.00

Porto Rico

REV. C. S. DETWEILER, PONCE

IT WOULD be impossible for us to begin this report without mentioning at once what has been to the Mission the most significant event of the year. August 31, Rev. A. B. Rudd, D.D., ceased his relations with us as a fellow-worker and General Missionary in Porto Rico. From the inception of the work in 1899 down to the time of his withdrawal, fifteen years later, it is no exaggeration to say that he was the leading figure in Mission councils on the island. No missionary was better known or more highly respected in all circles, and our Mission owes a great debt to him for the standing and prestige we enjoy among the religious forces on the island. But more important than this, it may be said that the Baptist churches of Porto Rico in a large measure bear the seal and impress of his devout character, and we trust will ever conserve his high ideals of the Christian life.

The appointment of a new General Missionary has involved some reorganization of the work with its attendant problems, but it means no change in the general policy of the Mission. Evangelization receives the primary emphasis, followed by the building up of the churches and their instruction in righteousness.

General View

The territory occupied by the Baptists is divided into four districts with an American missionary in charge of each. The churches are pastored exclusively by Porto Rican brethren trained on the field. In addition there is one American missionary in charge of the new Grace Conaway Institute for Christian workers. Since the withdrawal of Dr. Rudd the supervision of a district and the work of the General Missionary have been combined in one person.

There are also associated with the work six lady missionaries, who contribute valuable service in the training of our churches and Sunday-schools.

The year began auspiciously with the dedication of two important buildings, a commodious chapel in the town of Carolina, and the splendid building of the Grace Conaway Institute in Rio Piedras. For both of these occasions we had present with us Dr. R. E. Farrier, the chairman of the Mission Committee of our Society, whose visit brought good counsel and cheer to all of our workers.

There has been no meeting of the association of our churches during 1914. In 1913 the date for the next meeting was set for March, 1915.

San Juan District

Concerning conditions in this part of our field, Rev. F. P. Freeman writes: "Our new school building for the training of Christian workers, situated as it is in the center of the district and in close proximity to the Insular University, gives decided prestige to our cause. During this year several new Sunday-schools and preaching points have been opened up, and the responses to our efforts in all of these localities has been encouraging. A very successful district convention was held in Rio Grande in September. Our people are becoming more conscious of their growing strength and influence. The country work generally is in an especially prosperous condition. At Quebrada Grande, where the Sunday-school and congregation had outgrown the chapel, the church on its own initiative and with its own resources has made an extensive addition to the chapel, and thus has added to the efficiency of the work in that place.

"At Rio Grande as well as several other stations where we occupy inadequate rented quarters, we should at once erect suitable chapels.

"During the year we have watched the Roman Catholic forces in the conduct of their increasingly conspicuous propaganda. Various imposing and costly school buildings have been erected by them in this locality in the last twelve months. Their industrial school plant and church combined is now being completed in one of the suburbs of San Juan at an outlay of $150,000. The Knights of Columbus have been especially active, and we have reason to believe that their order is increasing in size and in influence in political as well as in religious affairs."

Caguas–Cayey District

Rev. E. L. Humphrey writes that the workers on his field are enthusiastic over their work, and that their monthly study conferences are a time of refreshing to all. He continues as follows:

"In Caguas the pastor, Señor Abelardo Diaz, is heartily in favor of relating the life of the Church with the life of the city. Efforts to get into sympathetic touch with the laboring classes, to show interest in the betterment of conditions surrounding child-life, and to curtail the power of the rum traffic have not been wholly in vain. The church has a good Sunday-school with an average attendance of about 200. The

women, young and old, have an active organization that holds weekly meetings for prayer and Bible study. Once a month a public missionary meeting is held. The lady missionaries and Mrs. Humphrey have charge of the women's work. The organized class of men in the Sunday-school has a weekly meeting for prayer and Bible study. There are over a hundred men enrolled. We try to make the people feel that religion is for all life—social, political, industrial and commercial.

"In Cayey the work gives great promise. Some of the most substantial people in the town are in the Church. The services are well attended. In Aguas Buenas, San Lorenzo, Guarabo and Juncos there is steady progress. At San Lorenzo and Juncos, chapels are greatly needed."

Barranquitas District

Among the accomplishments of the past year Rev. G. A. Riggs mentions the doubling of the amount of aid to pastor's salary in all of the town churches on his field, and the fact that one country church has begun to contribute toward self-support. A country chapel that will accommodate about 250 persons was built without any aid from the Home Mission Society.

In almost all the churches the members are doing active work aside from teaching in the Sunday-school. In two churches members go out Sunday afternoons and conduct Sunday-schools.

We need a tent for use in country districts where no suitable house can be secured. A folding organ and possibly a lantern with views of the life of Christ, hammocks or folding cots in which to sleep, and the tent would complete the material outfit.

Ponce District

In the town churches there has been slow and steady growth. Three of them have notably increased the amount paid toward the support of their pastors. During the year an addition has been built to the Ponce house for Sunday-school purposes. With the coming of Rev. Juan Rodriguez Cepero as its pastor, the church is now well equipped both materially and spiritually for its work in this the second largest city on the island. Large audiences are the usual thing every Sunday night.

In this district, by a fortunate arrangement with the physician in charge of St. Luke's hospital, Ponce, we have done considerable dispensary work for the poor at three different points in the country. This has brought us into closer touch with the people.

In some of the country districts the poverty of the people is distressing and seriously affects the life and development of our churches there.

Special Mention

During the year in different towns of the island we have held open-air meetings, which have given great promise in reaching a class of people too proud or too timid to come into our churches.

In Carolina the civil authorities fined a priest for wilfully disturbing the meetings by the violent ringing of church bells.

In its time of greatest prosperity the island was poor, but now that the European war has affected the commerce and industry of the world, Porto Rico is passing through a period of unprecedented business depression. Consequently it has been a hard year for our churches. Nevertheless, when all is considered, we have much to be thankful for, that our usual obligations have been met. Our church paper, "El Evangelista," has been maintained, though with much difficulty.

Rev. P. D. Woods, the principal of our training school, reports: "Almost a year has passed since our school entered into its new building and became the Grace Conaway Institute. Our relations with the Insular University have been all that could be desired. Eight of our students have availed themselves of the opportunity there offered of obtaining a better education. Attending the University, they are in daily contact with those who are to become the island's leaders in the various professions in the years to come. The Bible work has been carried on in our own class rooms. This has been largely given by the principal of the school. He has, however, appreciated very much the help which other missionaries have been able to render. At the close of last year's work two students went out into the active pastorate. This year four others will close their work in the school. All of these have assisted in mission work while here by acting as pastors in some of the nearby churches, and have therefore had practical as well as academic preparation for their work.

"Our building has accommodations for thirty students. We hope to have from twelve to fifteen students with us from year to year, preparing for the work of the ministry. Some rooms are rented to University students who desire to live in a Christian atmosphere. The plan has proven a success. There are at present fourteen Baptist students and twelve other roomers."

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE BAPTIST MISSION OF PORTO RICO FOR THE YEAR FROM MARCH 1, 1914, TO MARCH 1, 1915

Number of churches	51
Number of out-stations	54
Number of American missionaries (male 5, female 6)	11
Number of Porto Rican missionaries (male 30, female 1)	31
Number of baptisms	142
Membership	2,344
New chapel	1
Total chapels	35
Missionary residences owned by the Society	8

Missionary residences rented	3
Number of Sunday-schools	65
Number of pupils and teachers in these Sunday-schools	3,289
Number of higher schools	1
Pupils in higher schools	14
Teachers in higher schools	4
Contributions for all purposes	$4,918.43
Valuation of churches, parsonages and lots	117,150.00
Valuation of school property	22,250.00
Total valuation	139,400.00

El Salvador, Central America

REV. WILLIAM KEECH, SAN SALVADOR

TO GIVE a very general view of the present situation, we have three organized churches, one in San Salvador, one in Santa Ana and one in Sonsonate. In addition to these there are fourteen out-stations, three in connection with Sonsonate, eight with Santa Ana and three with San Salvador. Some of these are at a distance of three days' travel on mule from the church center. Some of them have grown during the year, both in numbers and spirituality, and have already some measure of independent life. We hope they may soon become independently organized bodies. There are 321 church members, a small increase on the figures of last year. There are 7 Sunday-schools with 16 teachers and an average attendance of 250 scholars. This figure is somewhat below the average attendance of last year, but is accounted for by other circumstances than a real falling off of membership in the schools.

The Society has aided this year in the building of a church in Juayua (called El Progreso on the map), which is now in course of construction, and we hope to have the formal opening in less than two months.

We continue to be almost overwhelmed with needs, which as they loom before us make our actual efforts appear almost nil. We need some primary schools, for the greater part of the children of our congregations are growing up illiterate. Then there is the need for lady workers among the women and girls. And we need men. The missionary force consists of two English-speaking missionaries and their wives and four natives. It is difficult to get competent native workers of unblemished reputation. We need at once another American missionary. And what is this small force among so many? Open doors are many, but we cannot enter them, for we have neither the men nor the means. To begin work in new quarters or even to visit them means neglecting the work already begun. This is bad policy, for experience has taught us that it is far better to establish well the points already occupied than to extend beyond what we can properly care for. El Salvador offers us to-day one of the most promising missionary fields.

OBITUARY

Rev. O. W. Williams, D.D., a faithful minister of Christ, died at Albert Lea, Minnesota, February 9, 1915. He was born in Garndolbenmaen, Carnarvonshire, Wales, March 25, 1837. Reaching the United States in 1857, he soon after entered Colgate University, from which he was graduated. His ministerial studies were pursued at the Hamilton Theological Seminary. He had fruitful pastorates at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Nebraska City and Lincoln, Neb., and at Galesburg, Ill. In 1894 he became the efficient Superintendent and District Secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, serving in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska and South Dakota, where for thirteen years he endeared himself to all the churches. His personal character gave great carrying power to all his messages and plans. His friend, Dr. Lathan A. Crandall, has fittingly said of this good servant of Jesus Christ: "In Dr. Williams' soul was that passion for helpfulness which found its perfect expression in his Master. He could say with Paul, 'This one thing I do.'"

James Munroe Hunt, Esq., died June 22, 1914, at Yonkers, N. Y., at the age of fifty-six. He was a graduate of the University of Rochester, and was admitted to the Bar in 1883. During his entire professional life he was a valued member of the Warburton Avenue Baptist Church, Yonkers, and was loyal, untiring and devoted, taking a profound interest in all its activities, and was a generous contributor to its local and world-wide interests. He was a man of many talents, rich friendships, and brought to fine spiritual fruitage the inheritance of a godly parentage. As a member of the Board of Managers of the American Baptist Home Mission Society he showed large insight, revealed a wealth of knowledge and displayed profound sympathy. In the Finance Committee his legal advice was freely given and his counsel was always discriminating and wise.

Rev. Charles R. Henderson, D.D., Professor of Sociology in the University of Chicago, died March 29, 1915. He was born at Covington, Indiana, December 19, 1848. Having graduated from the University of Chicago, in 1870, and from the Baptist Union Theological Seminary three years later, his early Christian ministry was prophetic of a great influence in the extension of the Kingdom of God. In 1892, when pastor of the Woodward Avenue Baptist Church, Detroit, he served as a member of the Arbitration Committee in settling the car strike in the city. That same year he was called to the University of Chicago. His deep interest in municipal

improvement brought him into relations of great influence, in which the reach of his life was extended as president of the National Conference of Charities and Correction, president of the American Prison Association and president of the National Children's Home Society. He was also profoundly interested in the educational, missionary and social work of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Mrs. John D. Rockefeller died at her home in Pocantico Hills, N. Y., March 12, 1915. She was educated at Worcester, Mass., and later became a teacher in Cleveland, Ohio. She was married in 1864, and has reaped with joy the fruitage of a trustful, Christian life. She was deeply concerned with the progress of the Kingdom of God, which she extended by her prayers, her sympathy and her gifts. Her devotion to Christian education brought her into personal relation with the training of Negro girls, and led to large gifts for Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., which was named in memory of the mother whose counsels trained her for a noble life of Christian devotion. She was keenly interested in her husband's benefactions, and fully realized that it is "more blessed to give than to receive." As the years passed, her spiritual investments became world-wide, and her legacies to the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, to the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and to Spelman Seminary and other institutions were a final expression of her love for her Lord.

Miss Frances J. Huntley, of Rochester, N. Y., died February 14, 1915. She was a sister of Mr. Byron E. Huntley, of Batavia, N. Y. Both were generous supporters of the denominational missionary societies. Only a few days previous to her death Miss Huntley's annual gift for the work of the present year was received at the rooms of the Home Mission Society. Deeply interested in home and foreign missions, she found her greatest satisfaction in her ability to aid in the support of the missionaries. "Huntley Hall," of Virginia University, erected in recent years in memory of Miss Huntley and her deceased brother, whose large gifts made possible its construction, will perpetuate their influence in Christian education in America. She made good use of her inheritance, and invested her talents in prayerful giving that brought forth a hundredfold. In her will she made the Home Mission Society and the Foreign Mission Society residuary legatees of her estate. She has entered into the joy of her Lord, and will ever be held in loving memory by those whose lives she cheered with her counsels and benefactions.

Rev. Edward Judson, D.D., died October 23, 1915. He exhibited a superb devotion to Christ, which found its expression in a loving service to the lowly, to the disheartened, and to the foreigners within the nation's

gates. He consecrated his life to missionary work in New York City, laid his talents upon the altar of a personal ministry for others, and concentrated all of his energies in making the gospel known in the congested parts of a city to which all the tribes of the earth have come, not for worship, but for wealth. This gifted son of the apostle to Burma, who devoted his life in laying the Christian foundation in the foreign field, illustrated the same missionary spirit in building an enduring superstructure in the home land.

Southeastern District: Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, Delaware and District of Columbia

WILLIAM G. RUSSELL, D.D., PHILADELPHIA, PA., DISTRICT SECRETARY

				Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Pennsylvania				$2,042.29	$5.00	$25,753.63	$2,778.63	$3,155.77	$31,688.33
New Jersey				31.00	.....	4,108.69	.....	2,100.00	6,208.69
Delaware				5.00	.....	596.82	.....	250.0	846.82
District of Columbia				177.61	.....	2,303.72	.....	.....	2,303.72
Ohio				.....	.....	1.41	.....	.....	1.41
Maryland				2.00	.....	48.55	29.16	.....	77.71
Totals, 1914-15				3,157.93	5.00	32,812.82	2,808.09	5,505.77	41,126.68
Totals, 1913-14					30.00	31,366.02	11,445.31	2,000.00	
Increase									
Decrease									
Number contributing in 1914-15		110		44	1				
in 1913-14		97							
Increase	13	13		19					
Decrease			8						

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $5,123.79.

Wabash District: Ohio and Indiana

REV. CHARLES E. STANTON, GRANVILLE, O., JOINT DISTRICT SECRETARY

States				Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Ohio	$13,329.14	$620.50	$29.75	$2,497.87	.....	$16,477.62	.....	$72.00	$16,549.62
Indiana	6,861.31	120.84	48.65	428.00	.....	7,458.83	1,512.50	.....	8,971.33
Totals, 1914-15	20,190.78	741.40	78.40	2,925.87	.....	23,936.45	1,512.50	72.00	25,520.95
Totals, 1913-14	21,135.55	839.27	60.70	2,977.18	46.00	25,058.70	5,480.30	500.00	31,039.00
Increase			17.70						
Decrease	944.77	97.87		51.31	46.00	1,122.25	3,967.80	428.00	5,518.05
Number contributing in 1914-15	619	81	14	46	.....			.....	
In 1913-14	587	84	20	61	.....			.....	
Increase	32								
Decrease		3	6	18					

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $3,010.81

Kanawha District : West Virginia

JOHN S. STUMP, D.D.., PARKERSBURG, JOINT DISTRICT SECRETARY

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
West Virginia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals, 1914-15	$5,684.00	$114.60	$6.01	$209.38	.....	$6,013.99	.....	.....	$6,013.99
Totals, 1913-14.....	5,464.45	$189.39	$10.00	$128.08	$3.05	$5,794.97	.....	$500.00	$6,294.97
Increase.....	219.55	....	.	81.30	.....	219.02	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	74.79	3.99	.....	3.05	.....	.....	500.00	280.98
Number contributing in 1914-15.....	386	28	2	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
In 1913-14.....	377	35	4	20	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Increase.....	9	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	7	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $837.74.

Superior District : Minnesota, South Dakota and North Dakota

FRANK PETERSON, D.D., MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., JOINT DISTRICT SECRETARY

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Minnesota.....	$5,795.25	$195.18	$18.00	$107.80	.....	$6,116.23	.....	$1,425.00	$7,541.23
South Dakota.....	1,999.85	55.66	.....	.....	.....	2,055.51	.....	.....	2,055.51
North Dakota.....	599.35	47.98	.....	20.00	.....	667.33	.....	.....	667.33
Totals 1914-15.	8,394.45	298.82	18.00	127.80	.....	8,839.07	.....	1,425.00	10,264.07
Totals 1913-14.	8,448.72	90.46	10.00	57.00	.....	8,606.18	.....	.....	8,606.18
Increase.....	.....	208.36	8.00	70.80	.....	232.89	.....	1,425.00	1,657.89
Decrease.....	54.27	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Number contributing in 1914-15.....	213	47	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
In 1913-14.....	244	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Increase.....	.....	44	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	31	.....	.... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $976.63.

Midland District : Kansas, Colorado and Oklahoma

G. W. CASSIDY, D.D., WICHITA, KANSAS, JOINT DISTRICT SECRETARY

			Sunday School	Y. P. Societies					
Kansas									
Colorado									
Oklahoma									
Totals 1914-15.	11,[illegible]	[illegible]	13.37	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	14,[illegible]
Totals 1913-14.	12,[illegible]	234.03	13.70	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
Increase								[illegible]	
Decrease	211.[illegible]	[illegible]	1.[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
Number contributing in 1914-15	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]					
In 1913-14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]					
Increase	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]					
Decrease			[illegible]						

Receipts for debt of A. H. B. M. Soc., $1,041.06.

New York District : New York and Northern New Jersey

REV. F. H. DIVINE, NEW YORK CITY, DISTRICT SECRETARY

New York	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Northern New Jersey	11,[illegible]	[illegible]		500.50	.....	12,473.02	250.00	.....	12,702.02
Totals, 1914-15.	[illegible]	1,669.47		102,970.92		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	147,217.17
Totals, 1913-14.	59,343.41	2,045.11		131,628.36		196,016.91	15,046.71	10,100.60	218,163.65
Increase	847.50						153.29	7,000.00	
Decrease		395.64		28,657.44		28,105.78			20,946.48
Number contributing in 1914-15	795.00	165.00							
In 1913-14	769.00	129.00							
Increase	24.00								
Decrease		24.00							

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $55,639.05.

Yellowstone District : Idaho, Montana, Utah, East Washington and Wyoming

CHARLES A. COOK, D.D., SPOKANE, WASHINGTON, JOINT DISTRICT SECRETARY

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Idaho	$661.12	$41.78	..	$80.27	.....	$783.17	.....	.....	.....
Montana	519.42	10.63	.....	11 00	....	541.05	.....	.....	.....
East Washington	782.79	12.41	....	8.00	....	803.20	... .	.....	.....
Wyoming	334.18	4.76	.....	... ..	.....	338.94	.....	.....	.....
Totals, 1914-15	2,297.51	69.58	.....	99.27	.....	2,466.36	.....	.....	.....
Totals, 1913-14	2,253.66	140.85	5.00	108.95	.....	2,508.46	.....	.....	.....
Increase	43.85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	71.27	5.00	9.68	.....	42.10	.....	.....	.....
Number contributing in 1914-15	126	11	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
In 1913-14	132	18	4	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Increase	.....	.....	.. ...	.....	....	.. .	. . ...	.....	.....
Decrease	6	7	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $237.94.

Pacific Coast District: Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Northern California, Southern California, Western Washington and Utah

A. W. RIDER, D.D., LOS ANGELES, CALIF., JOINT DISTRICT SECRETARY

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Arizona	$563.35	$2.70	.....	$5.00	.....	$571.05	.....	.....	$571.05
Nevada	241.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	241.00	.....	.....	241.00
North California	4,512.79	120.58	117.50	87.00	.....	4,837.87	.....	.....	4,837.87
South California	9,805.83	168.31	15.00	4,180.50	.....	14,169.64	1,052.70	6,020.00	21,242.34
Oregon	3,024.23	17.74	.....	37.00	.....	3,078.97	.....	22,675.00	25,753.97
West Washington	2,391.47	17.68	.....	.....	.....	2,409.15	.....	.....	2,409.15
Utah	214.14	.....	.....	.....	.....	214.14	.....	.....	214.14
Totals 1914-15	20,752.81	327.01	132.50	4,309.50	.....	25,521.82	1,052.70	28,695.00	55,269.52
Totals 1913-14	20,353.29	320.89	183.75	5,754.51	.....	26,612.44	3,100.00	18,975.00	48,687.44
Increase	399.52	6.12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,720.00	6,582.08
Decrease	.....	.....	51.25	1,445.01	.....	1,090.62	2,047.30	.....	.....
Number contributing in 1914-15	351	30	5	19	.....	405	.....	.....	.....
In 1913-14	334	44	10	16	.....	404	.....	.....	.....
Increase	17	.....	.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	14	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $2,897.22.

New England District: Maine, New Hampshire Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut

REV. P. H. J. LERRIGO, BOSTON, MASS., JOINT DISTRICT SECRETARY

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Maine	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	$5,027.54	$2,500.00	$1[illegible].00	[illegible].54
New Hampshire	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	3625.47	838.83	.....	4,464.30
Vermont	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	2,528.68	10.10	20.06	2,558.84
Massachusetts	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	29,358.80	29,256.79	9,500.00	68,115.59
Rhode Island	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	4759.63	555.48	20,000.00	25,315.11
Connecticut	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	9,661.43	18,478.13	2,300.00	30,439.56
Totals 1914-15.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	54,961.55	51,639.33	33,020.06	139,620.94
Totals 1913-14.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Increase		[illegible]		[illegible]	.....	1,439.42	3,442.98	26,801.20	31,683.60
Decrease	[illegible]		[illegible]						
Number contributing in 1914-15	[illegible]	167	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....	36	12	
In 1913-14	[illegible]	137	37	47	.....	.....	43	6	.....
Increase		30	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
Decrease	12		3	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $14,488.53.

Missouri

H. E. TRUEX, D.D., ST. LOUIS, STATE COLLECTING AGENT

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Missouri									
Totals 1914-15.	$4,426.77	$53.72	$4.87	$121.75		$4,607.09	$333.35		$4,940.44
Totals 1913-14.	4,440.54	37.79	2.91	105.11		4,586.35	333.35		4,919.70
Increase		15.93	1.91	16.64		20.74			20.74
Decrease	13.77								
Number contributing in 1914-15	880	32	4	9			1		
In 1913-14	858	32	4	12			1		
Increase	22								
Decrease		3		3					

Michigan

REV. E. M. LAKE, LANSING, STATE COLLECTING AGENT

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Michigan.....									
Totals, 1914-15	**$9,367.76**	.....	.....	**$267.75**	.....	**$9,635.51**	.....	**$500.00**	**$10,135.51**
Totals, 1913-14	**8,547.36**	.....	.....	**144.90**	.....	**8,692.26**	**$4,334.15**	**1,300.00**	**14,326.41**
Increase.....	820.40	.....	.....	122.85	.....	943.25	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,334.15	800.00	4,190.90
Number contributing in 1914-15.....	361	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
In 1913-14.....	354	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Increase.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $353.43.

Nebraska

WILSON MILLS, D.D., OMAHA, STATE COLLECTING AGENT

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Nebraska									
Totals 1914-15.	**$3,934.15**	**$113.20**	**$21.37**	**$75.90**	.....	**$4,144.62**	.....	.....	**$4,144.62**
Totals 1913-14.	**3,779.23**	**154.72**	.....	**124.26**	.....	**4,058.21**	.....	.....	**4,058.21**
Increase.....	154.92	.....	21.37	.....	.....	86.41	.....	.....	86.41
Decrease.....	.....	41.52	.....	48.36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Number contributing in 1914-15.....	135	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
In 1913-14.....	135	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Increase.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Illinois

J. Y. AITCHISON, D.D., CHICAGO, JOINT DISTRICT SECRETARY

State	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Miscellaneous	Total Local	Loans	Annuities	Total Receipts
Illinois									
Totals, 1914-15	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,100.66	.....	18,452.82	2,747.82	364.72	21,565.41
Totals, 1913-14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		16,865.91	4,902.92	300.00	22,068.83
Increase	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]		[illegible]	
Decrease		[illegible]					[illegible]		[illegible]
Number contributing in 1914-15	[illegible]								
In 1913-14	[illegible]								
Increase	44								
Decrease	[illegible]								

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $4,261.36.

Iowa

REV. I. E. WILCOX, DES MOINES, STATE COLLECTING AGENT

State	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Miscellaneous	Total Local	Loans	Annuities	Total Receipts
Iowa									
Totals 1914-15	$7,377.05	$177.05	$60.83	$171.40		$7,786.35		$2,000.00	$9,786.35
Totals 1913-14	7,523.65	280.44	73.10	288.27		8,160.46			8,160.46
Increase									1,626.09
Decrease	145.60	103.37	12.27	111.67		373.91			
Number contributing in 1914-15	259								
In 1913-14	225								
Increase	34								
Decrease									

Receipts for debt of A. B. H. M. Soc., $914.63.

Wisconsin

REV. H. R. MACMILLAN, MILWAUKEE, STATE COLLECTING AGENT

States	Churches	Sunday Schools	Y. P. Societies	Individuals	Women's Societies	Total Donations	Legacies	Annuities	Total Receipts
Wisconsin.....									
Totals, 1914-15.....	2,717.70	34.84	6.00	57.00	.....	2,815.54	11,882.39	.....	14,697.93
Totals, 1913-14.....	2,784.13	22.42	51.00	103.76	.....	2,961.31	1,720.74	.....	4,682.05
Increase.....	.....	12.42	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,161.65	.....	10,015.88
Decrease.....	66.43	.....	45.00	46.76	.....	145.77	.....	.....	.....
Number contributing in 1914-15.....	135	8	3	7	.....	.....	5	.....	.....
In 1913-14.....	116	2	2	5	.....	.....	3	.....	.....
Increase.....	19	6	1	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Receipts for debt of A. H. B. M. Soc., $328.60.

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1915:

RECEIPTS

FUNDS	From the Denomination	From General Conference of Free Baptists	From Income on Investments	From Assets Liquidated	From Transfers from Other Funds	From Miscellaneous Sources	Totals by Funds
1. For General Fund	$519,893 80	.....	$ 1,393 19	$ [illegible]	[illegible]	$12,323 80	[illegible]
2. For Designated Fund	4,[illegible] 57	.....	6,837 67	6,263 33	.....	10,631 41	[illegible]
3. For Church Edifice Loan Fund	.....	.....	8,588 16	23,157 47	.....	220 32	[illegible]
4. For Permanent Trust Fund	27,184 24	[illegible]	.....	15,147 72	16,000 00	.....	59,719 10
5. For Annuity Fund	97,701 55	.....	.....	28,173 66	.....	.....	125,875 21
6. For Conditional Fund	.....	.....	.....	2,069 80	.....	.....	2,069 80
7. For Legacy Reserve Fund	.....	.....	.....	9,815 01	.....	.....	9,815 01
Totals	[illegible]	[illegible]	$96,819 02	$85,415 98	$48,524 73	$23,175 53	$904,429 96
CASH IN TREASURY, APRIL 1, 1914							
General Fund, Reserved	.....	.....					$3,856 33
Designated Fund	.....	.....	.....				4,013 48
Church Edifice Loan Fund	.....	.....	.....				6,275 82
Permanent Trust Fund	.....	.....	.....				11,989 22
Annuity Fund	.....	.....	.....				16,571 38
Conditional Fund	.....	.....	.....				609 16
Legacy Reserve Fund	.....	.....	.....				16,104 20
							$963,849 55

DISBURSEMENTS

FUNDS		For Budget and Special Purposes	For Assets Acquired	Transfers to Other Funds	For Miscellaneous Purposes	Totals by Funds
1. From General Fund	Budget, 1914-15	$566,615 89	[illegible]		.....	$573,736 [illegible]
	Budgets, 1912-13 and 1913-14	1,836 19				[illegible]
2. From Designated Fund		17,993 19	[illegible]		1,785 95	25,146 [illegible]
3. From Church Edifice Loan Fund		8,210 50	[illegible]		.....	32,145 [illegible]
4. From Permanent Trust Fund		.....	[illegible]		.....	[illegible]
5. From Annuity Fund		.....	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	126,822 30
6. From Conditional Fund		.....	.....	1,000 00	.....	1,000 [illegible]
7. From Legacy Reserve Fund		.....	17,508 [illegible]	.....	.....	[illegible]
Totals		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	$2,960 95	$826,379 [illegible]
CASH IN TREASURY, MARCH 31, 1915		.....	.....	.....	.....	[illegible]
General Fund, Unreserved		.....	.....	.....	.....	[illegible]
General Fund, Reserved		.....	.....	[illegible]	.....	[illegible]
Designated Fund		.....	.....	.....	.....	[illegible]
Church Edifice Loan Fund		.....	.....	.....	.....	[illegible]
Permanent Trust Fund		.....	.....	.....	.....	23,564 72
Annuity Fund		.....	.....	.....	.....	[illegible]
Conditional Fund		.....	.....	.....	.....	1,678 [illegible]
Legacy Reserve Fund		.....	.....	.....	.....	8,410 [illegible]
DEBT OF GENERAL FUND, APRIL 1, 1914		.....	.....	.....	.....	$892,798 01
		.....	.....	.....	.....	71,051 54
						$963,849 55

RECEIPTS UNDER THE BUDGET OF 1914-5

For General Purposes:			
1.	Contributions from Churches	$254,191 79	
	Contributions from Sunday Schools	7,028 66	
	Contributions from Young People's Societies	800 97	
	Contributions from Individuals	120,172 00	
	Total Contributions	$382,193 42	
2.	Legacies	67,674 02	
3.	Income from Permanent Trust Fund	50,689 07	
	Income from Isaac Davis Fund	549 80	
	Income from Annuity Fund	25,120 28	
	Income from Conditional Fund	889 68	
	Income from Designated Fund	611 75	
	Income from General Fund	1,655 34	
	Income from Legacy Reserve Fund	1,877 27	
4.	Literature Sold	143 09	
5.	*Annuity Funds, Released by Death of Donors	31,524 73	
6.	*Conditional Funds, Released by Terms of Bequest	1,000 00	
7.	Realized from former Gifts to Churches	9,633 97	
8.	Pulpit Supply Funds	248 90	
9.	Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society for Society's Share of Sunday-school Receipts	994 96	
	Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, on Account of Adjustment of New England Sunday-school Receipts	1,454 93	
10.	Investments Repaid	788 99	
11.	Miscellaneous	842 91	
	Total Receipts		$577,893 11
	For Special Purposes: Society's Share of Joint Debt Campaign Receipts		69,031 40
	Grand Total		$646,924 51

*Reported in former years among "Receipts for Annuity and Conditional Fund."

DISBURSEMENTS UNDER THE BUDGET OF 1914-15

1. FOR MISSION WORK	Salaries	Expenses	Totals
General Superintendents—			
[illegible], L. C., Field Secretary	$4,000 00	$1,643 96	$5,643 96
[illegible], C. A.	1,604 16	1,412 76	3,016 92
[illegible], Bruce	2,400 00	1,668 53	4,068 53
[illegible], J. N.	500 00	.....	500 00
Wooddy, C. A.	2,500 00	1,646 70	4,146 70
On the following Fields—	$11,004 16	$6,371 95	$17,376 11
Arizona			5,702 10
Arizona, Navaho and Hopi Indians			1,500 00
California, Northern			8,860 00
California, Southern			5,000 00
Colorado			5,287 77
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]
Delaware			950 00
[illegible] of Columbia			480 28
[illegible]ador			4,749 96
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible] Churches, United States and Canada			6,000 00
[illegible]			400 00
[illegible]			7,125 00
[illegible]			5,679 19
[illegible]			[illegible] 00
[illegible]			[illegible] 00
[illegible]			[illegible] 00
[illegible]			[illegible] 00
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			2,941 64
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]
[illegible]			[illegible]

2. FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

INSTITUTION LOCATION	Salaries	Expenses	Additions to Properties	Totals
IN HIGHER SCHOOLS FOR NEGROES				
Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock, Ark	$1,025 00	.....	.....	$1,025 00
Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.	11,365 00	1,500 00	.....	12,865 00
Bishop College, Marshall, Tex	11,857 36	850 00	.....	12,707 36
Hartshorn Memorial College, Richmond, Va.	1,200 00	.....	.....	1,200 00
Jackson College, Jackson, Miss	8,203 75	1,214 85	.....	9,418 60
Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga	10,490 46	1,000 00	.....	11,490 46
Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.	1,500 00	.....	.....	1,500 00
Selma University, Selma, Ala	1,000 00	.....	.....	1,000 00
Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C	13,091 42	230 00	.....	13,321 42
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga	.....	1,500 00	.....	1,500 00
State University, Louisville, Ky	1,025 00	.....	.....	1,025 00
Storer College, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.	3,000 00	.....	.....	3,000 00
Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.	14,610 63	2,356 00	.....	16,966 63
IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS				
Americus Institute, Americus, Ga.	725 00	1,000 00	.....	1,725 00
Coleman Academy, Gibsland, La	525 00	.....	.....	525 00
Florida Baptist Academy, Jacksonvills, Fla.	640 00	.....	.....	640 00
Houston Academy, Houston, Tex.	75 00	.....	.....	75 00
Howe Bible and Normal Institute, Memphis, Tenn.	500 00	150 00	.....	650 00
Jeruel Academy, Athens, Ga	425 00	.....	.....	425 00
Thompson Inst., Lumberton, N. C.	525 00	.....	.....	525 00
Tidewater Institute, Hampton, Va.	275 00	.....	.....	275 00
Walker Baptist Inst., Augusta, Ga.	425 00	.....	.....	425 00
Waters Normal Institute, Winton, N. C.	550 00	.....	.....	550 00
Western College, Macon, Mo	925 00	.....	.....	925 00
IN HUNGARIAN SCHOOLS				
Theological School, Scranton, Pa.	389 60	521 39	.....	910 99
IN INDIAN SCHOOLS				
Indian University, Bacone, Okla.	8,496 60	.....	1,000 00	9,496 60
Red Stone, Anadarko, Okla	343 00	25 00	.....	368 00
IN MEXICAN SCHOOLS				
Monterey, Mex., Theol. School	1,000 50	185 00	.....	1,185 50
IN CUBAN SCHOOLS				
Colegios Internacionales, El Cristo, Cuba	6,824 20	1,771 60	949 01	9,544 81
Equipment for Primary Schools, etc	.....	152 49	.....	152 49
IN PORTO RICAN SCHOOLS				
Grace Conaway Inst., Rio Piedras	1,632 00	2,182 25	3,496 54	7,310 79
MISCELLANEOUS				
Special Polish Worker	200 00	.....	.....	200 00
Auditing School Accounts	.....	207 86	.....	207 86
Insurance of School Buildings	.....	4,009 57	.....	4,009 57
Books and Supplies	.....	212 31	.....	212 31
Superintendent, 3 months	750 00	692 00	.....	1,442 60
Totals	103,594 52	19,760 92	5,445 55	$128,800 99

3. FOR CHURCH EDIFICE WORK

Gifts to the following Churches:

*Arizona, Glendale, First	$266 67
California, Berkeley, First	2,500 00
*California, Long Beach, Burnett	250 00
California, Los Angeles, Florence Avenue	250 00
California, Ord Bend	200 00
*California, Paso Robles	250 00
*California, San Francisco, Finnish	500 00
*California, Strathmore	200 00
*California, Susanville, First	218 62
*California, Turlock, First	500 00
*California, Van Nuys	250 00
Connecticut, New Haven, First Swedish	500 00
[illegible] Palma Sorriano	570 00
[illegible]lvador, C. A. Juayua	300 00
[illegible]is, Chicago, First Bohemian	291 20
[illegible]na, Gary, Roumanian	300 00
[illegible], Des Moines, Calvary	500 00
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible], Kansas City, Brenner Heights	20[illegible]
Kansas, Rolla	133 33
*Kansas, Scott City, First	200 00
Mexico, Tampico	325 00
Michigan, Detroit, Harper Avenue Italian Mission	500 00
*Minnesota, Chisholm, Swedish Finnish	87 50
*Minnesota, East Little Fork, Swedish	100 00
*Minnesota, Evansville, First Swedish	100 00
Minnesota, Minneapolis, Judson Memorial	500 00
Minnesota, Minneapolis, Norwegian Danish Mission	100 00
Minnesota, Rochester, First Regular	1,000 00
Minnesota, St. Paul, West, Oakdale Mission	100 00
Minnesota, Spruce Hill, First Swedish	75 00
Montana, Pryor, Crow Indian Mission	800 00
*Nebraska, Scotts Bluff, First	266 67
New Jersey, Belleville, Italian	750 00
New Jersey, Passaic, Hungarian	500 00
*New Jersey, Perth Amboy, Hungarian	500 00
New York, Buffalo, Italian Chapel	100 00
New York, Buffalo, Polish Chapel	[illegible]
New York, Utica, Italian	1,500 00
Ohio, Akron, Roumanian	750 00
Oregon, Lafayette, First	90 91
Oregon, North Inlet, First	181 82
Porto Rico, Carolina	1,000 00
Porto Rico, Ponce	2,312 30
Porto Rico, Rio Grande	205 00
Pennsylvania, Monaca, Slovak	500 00
Utah, Eureka, First	100 00
Utah, Salt Lake City, Immanuel	2,500 00
Vermont, Barre, Italian	1,124 50
Washington, Bellingham, First for Marietta Mission	83 34
*Washington, Seattle, Second Swedish	450 00
*Wyoming, Durham, First	100 00
Total Amount of Gifts	$25,415 19
Repairs, Sundry Chapels	5,934 41
Expenses	69 52
Insurance	1,239 55
D. D. Proper, Supt., Salary and Expenses	3,877 07
Total for Church Edifice Work	$36,535 74

*Also a loan from the Loan Fund.

4. PROMOTION OF INTEREST AND BENEFICENCE

DISTRICT SECRETARIES	Salaries	Expenses	Totals
*Aitchison, J. Y.	$1,080 00	$1,102 42	$2,182 42
*Anthony, A. W.	1,183 00	330 96	1,513 96
*Cassidy, G. W.	325 20	401 69	726 89
*Cook, C. A.	519 75	96 68	616 43
Divine, F. H.	2,500 00	1,283 19	3,783 19
*Lake, E. M.	510 00	497 42	1,007 42
*Lerrigo, P. H. J.	1,000 00	1,347 30	2,347 30
*McMillan, H. R.	229 44	95 88	325 32
*Mills, Wilson	378 00	227 70	605 70
*Peterson, Frank	629 88	373 31	1,003 19
*Petty, A. M., 5 Months	1,000 00	1,352 32	2,352 32
*Rider, A. W., 7 Months	589 19	943 18	1,532 37
Russell, W. G.	2,400 00	1,794 23	4,194 23
*Stanton, C. E.	702 00	665 19	1,367 19
Starr, Benjamin	50 00	6 63	56 63
*Stump, J. S.	810 00	556 72	1,366 72
*Wilcox, S. E.	427 73	248 85	676 58
*Missouri Joint Collecting Agency	.....	653 24	653 24
	$14,334 19	$11,976 91	$26,311 10

*Joint Collecting Districts.

Advertising	$935 71	
Anniversaries	961 66	
Annual Report	1,081 31	
Apportionment Committee Northern Baptist Convention	2,154 60	
Department of Missionary Education	4,000 00	
Express and Freight	179 59	
Home Missions Council	1,345 00	
Home Mission Day	699 73	
Missions	2,603 00	
Northern Baptist Convention	1,873 56	
Postage	551 17	
Home Misssion Literature	1,856 99	
Publicity Work	50 00	
United Missionary Campaign, New England Committee	100 00	
United Missionary Campaign	500 00	
Incidentals	70 17	
		18,962 49
		$45,273 59

5. ADMINISTRATION

Secretary's and Treasurer's Departments.			
Morehouse, H. L., Cor. Sec.	$4,000 00	$78 50	$4,078 50
White, C. L., Asso. Cor. Sec.	4,000 00	462 21	4,462 21
Moulton, F. T., Treasurer	3,000 00	7 24	3,007 24
Clerks	8,429 58	.....	8,429 58
	$19,429 58	$547 95	$19,977 53
Audit		413 25	
Exchange		251 83	
Expense of Collecting Legacies		1,218 32	
Expense of Board Members attending Meetings		278 70	
Internal Revenue		11 70	
Legal Expenses		132 65	
Office Supplies and Expenses		1,549 63	
Postage		183 39	
Rent		3,350 00	
Surety Bonds		94 16	
Incidentals		63 94	
		7,547 57	
Less amount paid by Church Edifice Loan Fund		3,000 00	
			4,547 57
			$24,525 10

6. ANNUITIES		$28,446 12
7. MISCELLANEOUS		
Interest on Loans for Financing Budget and Debt	$9,067 67	
Interest on Loan for Virginia Union University	3,057 75	
D. W. Perkins, Special	1,200 00	
Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society's Share of Sunday-school Contributions for 1914-15	1,804 79	
Paid to Permanent Trust Fund on Profit and Loss Account	3,000 00	
Paid to Annuity Fund on Profit and Loss Account	2,000 00	
Sundry Investments	275 34	20,405 55
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		$573,736 78
Cash Reserved for Unpaid Appropriations under Budget, 1914-15		2,368 39
Debt of April 1, 1914	71,051 54	
Less Cash released from Balance Reserved April 1, 1914, under Budget of 1913-14, appropriations having lapsed	2,020 14	
		69,031 40
Grand Total Disbursements		$645,136 57
Balance in Treasury		1,787 94
		$646,924 51

OPERATIONS DURING 1914-15 UNDER THE RESERVE FUND OF THE BUDGETS OF 1912-13 AND 1913-14

April 1, 1914, Cash Reserved			$3,856 33
DISBURSEMENTS			
Gifts to the following churches:			
*California, Susanville, First	$718 75		
*Oregon, Junction City, First	454 55		
*Oregon, Portland, Lents	204 55		
Utah, Salt Lake City, Calvary	250 00		
*Washington, South Bend, First Scandinavian	208 34		
Total for Church Edifice Work		$1,836 19	
Amount saved on lapsed appropriations cancelled, credited on debt of General Fund, reported April 1, 1914		2,020 14	
			$3.856 33

DESIGNATED FUNDS

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Churches	$2,058 98	
Contributions from Sunday-schools	136 00	
Contributions from Young People's Societies	22 50	
Contributions from Individuals	2,070 09	
Total Contributions	$4,287 57	
General Education Board	5,000 00	
Income from Permanent Trust Fund	5,848 55	
Income from Conditional Fund	150 98	
Income from Designated Fund	838 14	
Income from Morning Star Mission Fund	20 44	
Surplus from Schools	2,711 92	
Americus Institute, Special Fund	1,000 00	
Sale of Manning Bible School Property, Cairo, Ill	1,899 05	
Investments Repaid	6,263 33	
Total Receipts		$28,019 98
Balance in Treasury April 1, 1914		4,013 48
		$32,033 46

DISBURSEMENTS

1. FOR MISSION WORK ON FOLLOWING FIELDS

New Berlin, Wis	250 00	
Keams Canon, Ariz	25 00	
City of Mexico, Mex., Hospital	106 00	
Niles, Ohio	50 00	
Porto Rico	111 50	
Indians	9 77	
Ellis Island, N. Y. City	5 00	
Cape Hayti, W. I	10 00	
Special Labor Evangelist	900 00	
Special Hungarian Worker	1,083 48	
Special Russian Worker	75 00	
Total		$2,625 75

DESIGNATED FUNDS—*Continued*

	Salaries and Expenses	Additions to Properties	Designated for Special Objects	Total
2. FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK				
Americus Institute, Americus, Ga.	$1,000 00			
Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.	1,077 50			
[illegible] nales, El Cristo, Cuba.	1,604 63			
[illegible] ege, Bacone, Okla.			200 00	
[illegible] Memorial College, Richmond, Va.			146 00	
Jackson College, Jackson, Miss.	134 15			
Manning Bible School, Cairo, Ill.	113 10			
Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.			100 00	
Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.		4,000 00	47 20	
Selma University, Selma, Ala.	350 00			
Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.			771 49	
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.			1,260 32	
[illegible] Institute, Lumberton, N. C.		5,000 00		
[illegible] Union University, Richmond, Va.			723 97	
[illegible]		[illegible]		
[illegible]			25 00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
3. FOR CHURCH EDIFICE WORK				
GIFTS TO FOLLOWING CHURCHES:				
Illinois, Chicago, Albany Park Church			1,000 00	
" " First Bohemian Church			708 80	
Montana, Pryor, Crow Indian Chapel			250 00	
Total				$1,958 80
4. FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES				
Sundry payments from Income of Special Trust Funds				881 28
Net proceeds from sale of Manning Bible School Property, Cairo, Ill., paid to Storer College, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.				1,785 94
Sundry Investments				20 44
Total Disbursement				$25,146 26
Balance in Treasury March 31, 1915				6,887 20
				$32,033 46

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND

RECEIPTS

Loans Repaid	$23,157 47	
Interest Received from Churches	8,447 85	
Interest Received from Investments	140 31	
Sale of Old Church Property	220 32	
Total Receipts		$31,965 95
Balance in Treasury April 1, 1914		6,275 82
		$38,241 77

DISBURSEMENTS

Loans to the following Churches:		
*Arizona, Glendale, First	$400 00	
*California, Long Beach, Burnett	250 00	
*California, Paso Robles	250 00	
*California, San Francisco, Finnish	500 00	
*California, Strathmore	200 00	
*California, Susanville, First	800 00	
*California, Turlock, First	1,500 00	
*California, Van Nuys	250 00	
Cuba, Santiago	2,500 00	
Idaho, Caldwell, First	3,000 00	
*Kansas, Scott City, First	1,100 00	
Massachusetts, Lowell, Chelmsford, St. Free	3,000 00	
*Minnesota, Chisholm, Swedish-Finnish	200 00	
*Minnesota, East Little Fork, Swedish	200 00	
*Minnesota, Evansville, First Swedish	250 00	
*Nebraska, Scotts Bluff, First	400 00	
*New Jersey, Perth Amboy, Hungarian	889 23	
New York, Hornell, Southside	1,000 00	
*Oregon, Junction City, First	500 00	
*Oregon, Portland, Lents	250 00	
Oregon, Portland, University Place	500 00	
Utah, Salt Lake City, Burlington	1,650 00	
Utah, Salt Lake City, Rio Grande	1,350 00	
*Washington, Seattle, Second Swedish	600 00	
*Washington, South Bend, First Scandinavian	500 00	
*Wyoming, Durham, First	200 00	
Total Amount of Loans		$22,239 23
Insurance		346 40
Taxes		309 61
Expenses		3,040 00
Annuities		10 50
Investments		1,000 00
"Waterloo Memorial Fund," Paid to Walnut St. Ch., Waterloo, Iowa		5,200 00
Total Disbursements		$32,145 74
Balance in Treasury March 31, 1915		6,096 03
		$38,241 77

*Also a Gift from the General Fund.

PERMANENT TRUST FUNDS

RECEIPTS

*Contributions		$ 5,696 66
Legacies		21,487 58
Annuities Released by Death of Donors		16,000 00
General Conference of Free Baptists		1,427 54
	$44,611 78	
Assets liquidated during year	15,147 72	
Cash in Treasury April 1, 1914	11,989 22	
		$71,748 72

DISBURSEMENTS

Assets acquired during year	48,184 00	
Cash in Treasury March 31, 1915	23,564 72	
		$71,748 72

ANNUITY FUNDS

RECEIPTS

Contributions	97,701 55	
Assets liquidated during year	28,173 66	
	$125,875 21	
Cash in Treasury April 1, 1914	16,571 38	
		$142,446 59

DISBURSEMENTS

Transferred to General Fund	31,524 73	
Transferred to Permanent Trust Fund	16,000 00	
Returned to Donors	1,175 00	
	$48,699 73	
Assets acquired during year	78,122 47	
Cash in Treasury March 31, 1915	15,624 39	
		$142,446 59

CONDITIONAL FUND

RECEIPTS

Assets liquidated during year	2,069 80	
Cash in Treasury April 1, 1914	609 16	
		$2,678 96

DISBURSEMENTS

Transferred to General Fund	1,000 00	
Cash in Treasury March 31, 1915	1,678 96	
		$2,678 96

LEGACY RESERVE FUND

RECEIPTS

Assets liquidated during year	9,815 01	
Cash in Treasury April 1, 1914	16,104 20	
		$25,919 21

DISBURSEMENTS

Assets acquired during year	17,508 33	
Cash in Treasury March 31, 1915	8,410 88	
		$25,919 21

*Of this amount $5,541.66 was credited to the Jabez A. Bostwick Fund on account of profits realized on securities contributed in previous years.

THE FOLLOWING TABLES exhibit the principal of the Permanent and other Funds of the Society, their increase or decrease during the year, and the manner of their investment.

I. PERMANENT TRUST FUNDS

A. FOR GENERAL PURPOSES

FUND	DATE RECEIVED	STATE	AMOUNT
Allen, Jonas	1872	Vermont	$100 00
Ambler, J. V., Memorial (1)	1880–96	Pennsylvania	15,000 00
Anderson, David	1880	Maine	1,000 00
Argabright, S. V	1903	West Virginia	100 00
Axtell, Mrs. Hannah E	1876	Michigan	311 11
Bailie, David	1897	New York	1,055 00
Ballew, W. B	1902	Missouri	384 65
Barney, Martha B	1907	Ohio	5,000 00
Barney, N. P., Memorial (2)	1881	Ohio	5,000 00
Bartlett, Harriet Hastings	1905	Massachusetts	500 00
Blain, John	1869	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Bleecker, Garratt N	1854	New York	6,000 00
Bishop, Mrs. Nathan (3)	1880	New York	1,000 00
Fox, Mrs. Jane B., Estate (3)	1881	New York	10,000 00
Brimhall, Permelia	1888–91	Illinois	1,572 99
Brockett, E. J	1892–12	New Jersey	11,000 00
Burke, R. P	1908	West Virginia	100 00
Butler, Chas. S	1888	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Butler, Elizabeth N	1914	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Capen, Barnabas D	1889	Massachusetts	10,000 00
Carlton, Younglove	1891	New York	830 21
Cheever, William	1881	Massachusetts	7,657 82
Clark, Simeon L	1908	New York	5,000 00
Corry, Aaron	1885	Massachusetts	1,480 81
Crie, Harriet	1911	Maine	300 00
Darling, Henry	1869–74	Maine	1,000 00
Davis, Isaac	1878–82	Massachusetts	13,745 00
Davis, James M	1902	Rhode Island	3,412 50
Dearborn, Danville A	1912–14	Massachusetts	9,291 83
De Puy, Ten Eyck	1906	New York	4,750 00
Dimock, L. and F. W	1911	Massachusetts	2,000 00
Dizer Fund (4)	1908	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Dodge, Harriet P	1904	New Hamps're	250 00
Drown, Mary Newell	1889	Rhode Island	600 00
Dunbar, Robert	1888	Pennsylvania	500 00
Durfee, John H. and Helen A	1911	Illinois	1,729 91
Eaton, Fidelia D	1902–14	New York	7,015 10
Eldredge, Lyman	1877	Massachusetts	75 00
Estes, Abarintha A	1913	Massachusetts	25 00
Fay, Mrs. L. R. B	1883–5	Massachusetts	4,189 61
Fengar, Mary E	1914	Connecticut	15,887 73
Fisk, Theron	1852	New York	2,500 00
Flint, Harriet N	1897	Massachusetts	5,000 00
"Frazer Fund" (5)	1887	Canada	3,500 00

(1) Founded by Mrs. A. T. Ambler.
(2) Contributed by her children.
(3) In memory of Garratt N. Bleecker.
(4) Founded by Marshall C. Dizer.
(5) Founded by Mrs. S. M. McMaster.

FUND	DATE RECEIVED	STATE	AMOUNT
Frisbee, Sarah M	1893	Connecticut	$1,000 00
Giddings, Mrs. Lovina	1890	Massachusetts	600 00
Glover, Henry R	1895	Massachusetts	5,000 00
Goippert, Wm. A	1912	Connecticut	5,000 00
Hale, John V	1911	Massachusetts	2,000 00
Ham, William	1871	Rhode Island	100 00
Holton, Mary E., Memorial	1897–1909	New Jersey	52,575 00
Howard, Harry H	1897	Illinois	100 00
Hoyt, Joseph B	1890	Connecticut	25,000 00
Huntley, Wm. E	1884-1909	Vermont	9,700 00
Hutchins, Lizzie F	1911	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Hutchins, Samuel M	1911	Massachusetts	1,000 00
John, Lizzie J., Memorial	1864	Pennsylvania	1,000 00
Johnson, Susannah (6)	1903	Massachusetts	500 00
Jones, B. E	1905	Pennsylvania	500 00
Jones, John J	1906	New Jersey	1,000 00
Kelly, Chloe M	1896	Vermont	200 00
Kendall, Horace	1863	Connecticut	1,000 00
Lees, William B	1883	Pennsylvania	250 00
Linch, Jarrett	1889	West Virginia	1,000 00
Little, Geo. W	1901	Massachusetts	5,000 00
Lord, Nathan	1869	Iowa	1,074 60
Lovejoy, John	1893-4	Illinois	500 00
Mendenhall, T. G	1901	Illinois	1,000 00
Merrick, Austin	1892	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Messer, Judith	1913	New Hamps're	100 00
Mills, Thos. L., Memorial (7)	1903	Illinois	100 00
Munger, Isador G., Literature Fund	1914	Wisconsin	1,070 00
Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter S.	1911	Pennsylvania	8,000 00
Norcross, Stephen W	1880	Massachusetts	500 00
Noyes, Mary	1882	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Nugent, George	1885	Pennsylvania	1,000 00
Parks, Louisa M	1903	Illinois	1,000 00
Pease, Nancy P	1868	Connecticut	1,000 00
Pell, Lydia R., Memorial (8)	1904	Pennsylvania	2,500 00
Pevear, Henry A	1869	Massachusetts	6,250 00
Pillsbury, Geo. A	1900	Minnesota	5,000 00
Porter, Benjamin	1904	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Potter, Wm. B	1908	New York	300 00
Renfrew, Jefferson	1911	Vermont	1,000 00
Rider, J. Leland, Memorial (9)	1908	Connecticut	1,350 00
Roberts, Elizabeth	1871	Connecticut	3,000 00
Rockwell, Rufus	1885	Pennsylvania	461 80
Rogers, Anna	1888	New Jersey	500 00
Rogers, Elizabeth W	1888	New Jersey	500 00
Russel, P. R	1904	New Jersey	14,700 00
Ruth, Mordecai T	1897	New Jersey	5,242 68

(6) Founded as a memorial to her mother and sister Mary.
(7) Contributed as a memorial by Marguerite M. Youmans.
(8) From estate of Amanda M. Pell.
(9) Founded by Mrs. Carrie Rider.

FUND	DATE RECEIVED	STATE	AMOUNT
Selleck, Levi	1868	New York	$1,000 00
Sherman, Geo. J	1877	Rhode Island	1,000 00
Shirk, Milton, Memorial (10)	1903	Indiana	2,500 00
Skolfield, Sarah A	1914	Maine	500 00
Smith, Alice, Memorial	1899	Ohio	5 00
Smith, Benjamin M	1913	Massachusetts	1,000 00
Stevens, Amos	1900	Ohio	55 70
Swaim, Mary A. N	1867	Massachusetts	9,400 00
Thorn, Mrs. J., Memorial (11)	1891	New York	5,000 00
Thorsen, Mary A	1911	Wisconsin	8,634 35
Thurber, Emma	1913	Rhode Island	5,950 00
Towne, Mrs. Mary J	1901	Maine	2,500 00
Tripp, Susan	1868	New York	500 00
True, Mary	1910	New Hamps're	950 00
Tucker, Mrs. P. M	1910	Illinois	1,121 00
Tucker, Harvey Judson, Mem'l (12)	1903	Rhode Island	500 00
Van Husan, C., Memorial (13)	1885	Michigan	2,000 00
Wickens, George	1882	Illinois	500 00
Wilde, Joseph	1914	New York	74 85
Woods, John	1897–1900	Massachusetts	3,422 19
Woolverton, Geo. A	1896	New York	5,000 00
General Conference of Free Baptists			50,305 85
Total			$555,405 85
Increase for General Purposes during the year			$23,737 62
Income for year			22,018 85

B. FOR GENERAL EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

FUND	DATE RECEIVED	STATE	AMOUNT	
Bostwick, Jabez A	1885	New York	$27,399 30	
Bradford, S. S	1876	Rhode Island	1,000 00	
Colby, Emily S	1877	Ohio	200 00	
Durfee, John H. and Helen A.	1911	Illinois	1,728 90	
Maintenance and Insurance Fund	1910–12		81,635 91	
Marston, S. W. (14)	1899	New York	2,000 00	
Total				$113,964 11
Increase during the year			$2,770 83	
Income for year			7,171 64	

C. FOR ENDOWMENT OF SCHOOLS

Benedict College, General Endowment.				
Benedict, Mrs. B. A.	1873–1897	Rhode Island	$102,366 41	
Sawyer, Clara E. W.	1914	New York	3,000 00	
Swan, Emma M	1906	New York	4,790 00	
Walker, Mary S	1913	New York	983 18	
Other Sources			20,272 96	
				$131,412 55

(10) Contributed by Mrs. Milton Shirk.
(11) Contributed by John Thorn.
(12) Founded by Mary E. T. Faunce.
(13) Contributed by his widow and heirs.
(14) Contributed by Edgar L. Marston.

FUND	DATE RECEIVED	STATE	AMOUNT	
Bishop College,				
General Endowment.				
Meech, Levi W.	1906	Connecticut ..	$6,000 00	
Williams, Robert	1906	Iowa	6,000 00	
				$12,000 00
Indian University,				
General Endowment				2,126 02
Jackson College,				
General Endowment				476 25
Manning Bible School,				
Abbie, Mrs. C. C.	1911	New York		1,500 00
Morehouse College,				
General Endowment			$918 23	
Cook, Josiah W.	1894–99	Massachusetts	20,000 00	
				$20,918 23
Roger Williams University,				
General Endowment			$30,272 74	
Haley, Mrs. A. M.	1914	Vermont	3,500 00	
				$33,772 74
Shaw University,				
General Endowment			$26,288 02	
Buss, Harriet M.	1897	Massachusetts.	350 00	
Grant, O. B.	1893	Connecticut ..	1,000 00	
Greenleaf, Oric H.	1905	Massachusetts.	4,197 71	
Hitchcock, T. L. and Susan	1909	New York	2,500 00	
Library Fund			300 00	
				$34,635 73
Spelman Seminary,				
General Endowment			$276 00	
Alumnæ Association Fund			187 55	
Binyard, Evelyn M.	1911	Tennessee	83 62	
Byam, Almira J.	1914	Massachusetts.	1,000 00	
Cole, Robert H.	1903	Massachusetts.	600 00	
Perkins, Fred Miller	1914		95 00	
"The Founders' Fund,"				
*Miss S. B. Packard and Miss H. E. Giles			5,000 00	
†Miss S. B. Packard and Miss H. E. Giles			5,690 39	
Students' Endowment Fund			98 67	
				$13,031 23
Virginia Union University,				
General Endowment.				
Fiske, Grace	1904	Massachusetts.	$950 00	
Harris, Mary D.	1900	New York	1,000 00	
"Hedstrom Fund" (1)	1900	New York	1,000 00	
Riggs, D. W.	1910	Pennsylvania .	5,150 05	
Theological Department,				
Hoyt, Joseph B.	1885	Connecticut ..	25,000 00	
Rockefeller, John D.	1885	New York	25,000 00	
Union Professorship			7,248 41	
Library Fund			3,435 50	
				$68,792 96
Academic Department,				
General Endowment				18,740 33
Library Fund				565 44
Total				$337,971 48
Increase during the year			$8,082 50	
Income for year			13,193 72	

*For charity patients in Mac Vicar Hospital.
†For expenses of Mac Vicar Hospital.
(1) Contributed by Anna M. Hedstrom.

D. FOR AIDING STUDENTS

FUND	DATE RECEIVED	STATE	AMOUNT	
Benedict College,				
Hewitt, Harriet B	1898	New York		$2,000 00
Indian University,				
Cherokee Fund	1910		$7,500 00	
Stewart, Lydia	1909	Oklahoma	2,000 00	
				$9,500 00
Morehouse College,				
Chamberlin, Willard, Scripture Reading Prize (2)	1906	Ohio	$500 00	
Graves, Samuel, Scripture Recitation Prize (2)	1906	Ohio	500 00	
Ripley, Mrs. A. O	1893	Massachusetts.	1,000 00	
				$2,000 00
Roger Williams University,				
Champney, Sarah H	1879	Oklahoma	$500 00	
Hanaford, J. H		Massachusetts.	530 00	
				$1,030 00
Shaw University,				
Avery, Jane E	1908	Connecticut	$2,787 20	
Leonard, Anna S	1911	Massachusetts.	5,700 00	
Leonard, Frank J	1913	Illinois	3,000 00	
Leonard, Judson Wade	1883–1887	Massachusetts.	5,000 00	
				$16,487 20
Spelman Seminary,				
Brett, Celia L	1911	Minnesota	1,902 76	
Chamberlin Scripture Reading Prize (2)	1906	Ohio	500 00	
Coleman, Alice B	1911	Massachusetts.	2,000 00	
Finney, Seymour Prize Fund	1907	Michigan	600 00	
Hanaford, J. H		Massachusetts.	1,485 28	
Hays, Lucinda, Prize Fund (2)	1906	Ohio	500 00	
Howe, Rev. Wm	1906	Massachusetts.	5,000 00	
Monroe, Mary L	1895	Pennsylvania	5,000 00	
Perry, Mrs. Lucy A	1907	Massachusetts.	1,000 00	
Simmons, Mary E., Prize Fund (1)	1903	New York	572 56	
				$18,560 60
Virginia Union University,				
Colby, Emily S	1877	Ohio	$1,000 00	
Howe, Rev. Wm	1907–1908	Massachusetts.	3,000 00	
Reed, Susan C	1890	Illinois	1,000 00	
Smith, S. F	1896	Massachusetts.	1,000 00	
Still, A. B	1913	Pennsylvania	1,200 00	
Tolman, Lydia S	1893	Massachusetts.	1,500 00	
Waterhouse, C. W	1880	New Jersey	1,000 00	
Weir, Henry B	1914	Indiana	1,000 00	
"Work and Loan Fund"			330 00	

(1) Contributed by Rev. James B. Simmons, D.D.
(2) Contributed by Willard D. Chamberlin.

FUND	DATE RECEIVED	STATE	AMOUNT
Virginia Union University,			
Simmons, Robert S.,			
Prize Fund (1)	1903	New York	$572 56
Gray, Mercy Maria	1882	California	2,000 00
Wayland, E. L. (3)	1884	Connecticut	150 00
*——— ———	1884	Massachusetts.	1,500 00
			$14,252 56
Total Student Aid Funds			$64,830 36
Increase during year			$1,000 00
Income for year			2,559 20

E. FOR CHURCH EDIFICE GIFT PURPOSES

Fund as created	1881–82		$65,500 00
Bennett, Cephas	1892	Burma	27,938 90
Bostwick, Jabez A	1885	New York	27,399 28
Denike, Abraham	1886	New York	5,000 00
Merrick, Austin	1892	Massachusetts.	53,069 30
Pevear, Henry A	1899	Massachusetts.	6,250 00
Rogers, Martha	1880	Connecticut	500 00
Tucker, H. J., Mem. (2)	1903	Rhode Island.	500 00
Waterbury, F. W	1903	New York	500 00
Wayman, Samuel	1894	Illinois	40,000 00
Total			$226,657 48
Increase during year			$9,020 83
Income for the year			11,102 13

F. FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

Abbott, Arminda P	1912	Massachusetts.	$1,407 00
Dearborn, Abigail J	1911	New Hamp're	300 00
Harris, Emma J	1911	Wisconsin	3,765 14
Johnson, Mary W	1911	Rhode Island.	500 00
Ketcham, Eliz. A., Mem'l.	1911	New York	15,000 00
Nickerson, John H	1911	New Hamp're	100 00
Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Swan.	1908	Nebraska	1,000 00
Randall, Lydia	1911	New Hamp're	400 00
Randall, Samuel H	1911	New Hamp're	250 00
Smart, John	1886	Pennsylvania.	1,000 00
Thorson, Mary A	1911	Wisconsin	250 00
Whiting, Martha	1886	Massachusetts.	1,000 00
Total Special Funds			$24,972 14
Income for year			$1,041 88
Total Fund March 31, 1915			$1,323,801 42

*Contributors who do not wish their names published.
(1) Contributed by Rev. James B. Simmons, D.D.
(2) Founded by Mary E. T. Faunce.
(3) Contributed by Rev. H. L. Wayland, D.D.

The above funds are invested as follows:		
Mortgages on Real Estate	$597,411 22	
Bonds and Stocks	565,674 72	
Real Estate	115,857 91	
Cash in Depository	23,564 72	
	$1,302,508 57	
Profit and Loss	21,292 85	
		$1,323,801 42

Income for year, $57,087.42.

II. ANNUITY FUNDS

Donations upon which interest is paid during life, either to the donor or to such person or object as the donor may designate.

Amount reported April 1, 1914		$506,475 67
Added during the year		97,701 55
		$604,177 22
Transferred to General Fund by death of Annuitants	$31,524 73	
Transferred to Permanent Trust Fund by death of Annuitants	16,000 00	
Returned to Donors	1,175 00	
		$48,699 73
Total Fund, March 31, 1915		$555,477 49

The above funds are invested as follows:		
Mortgages	$44,804 75	
Bonds and Stocks	412,197 40	
Notes	400 00	
Real Estate	8,826 71	
Loan for construction of Virginia Union University, for which $47,100 annuities are designated	61,155 19	
Cash in Depository	15,654 23	
	$543,038 28	
Profit and Loss and Suspense Accounts.	12,439 21	
		$555,477 49

Income for year, $25,120.28.

The following list gives the amounts upon which the Society is now paying interest:

Adams, Anna R.....	$5,000 00	Fletcher, John	$1,200 00
Allen, Jonathan L.....	3,317 10	Forward, Sophronia E.	500 00
Ambler, Mrs. A. T....	12,300 00	Foster, Elizabeth B....	500 00
Anderson, Carolina....	100 00	French, Joseph E.....	3,000 00
Anderson, Jacob.....	100 00	Friend, Wm.	150 00
Anthony, Kate J.....	2,000 00	Gallup, Eliz. H.....	3,000 00
Arnold, Ann Elizabeth.	1,000 00	Gardner, Frank	800 00
Ashley, Lydia M.....	400 00	Glynn, Bessie	1,500 00
Baker, Henry V.....	1,000 00	Gould, Julia N.....	250 00
Baker, Sarah C.....	1,000 00	Grady, Sarah A.....	700 00
Balcomb, Sarah E.....	2,000 00	Hale, Addison L.....	22,000 00
Baldwin, Hannah A....	4,000 00	Hammond, Eva S.....	400 00
Barnes, Ellen	300 00	Hammond, Mary E....	500 00
Barnes, Lovisa E.....	6,020 00	Hammond, Ruth H....	500 00
Bennett, Emily	1,000 00	Hammond, Sophia B..	400 00
Bidwell, Wm. L.....	1,000 00	Harbig, Mrs. Mary E.	1,000 00
Bishop, Mrs. C. C.....	17,000 00	Hardin, Florence J....	100 00
Bixby, E. M.....	1,000 00	Harding, Willard	1,000 00
Blake, Fannie R.....	1,000 00	Harris, Elinor F.....	200 00
Briggs, Addie I.....	1,000 00	Hart, Ives W.....	1,000 00
Boughton, Melinda A..	1,000 00	Hastings, Marinda	500 00
Brockway, Alice P....	19,000 00	Hatch, Annie B.....	100 00
Brown, Lura K.....	1,000 00	Hatch, Julia G.....	200 00
Bullock, Mary	1,000 00	Herrick, Mrs. M. B...	300 00
Burke, Ida J.....	5,450 00	Hewit, Helen E. C....	1,000 00
Burroughs, E.	500 00	Hobart, Alvah S.....	18,000 00
Burtch, Joshua G.....	1,000 00	Hoff, Mary Augusta...	3,000 00
Chamberlain, W. D....	1,000 00	Holland, Virginia W..	5,000 00
Cheney, Alfred	800 00	Horner, E. W.....	301 88
Clark, Mary E.....	1,000 00	Huntley, Wm. E.....	7,611 00
Clark, Sarah B.....	1,000 00	Jones, Mrs. J. N.....	2,500 00
Clissold, Mrs. H. R....	4,000 00	Jordan, Mary B.....	3,000 00
Cochrane, Martha V...	500 00	Ketcham, Grace M.....	10,000 00
Collingwood, Effie J...	500 00	Lamp, Hannah H.....	3,000 00
Crosby, Sarah Ford....	5,501 00	Lamprey, Sarah A.....	1,200 00
Curtis, Mrs. Lois A....	3,600 00	Lesure, L. A.....	500 00
Dame, Eunice E.....	500 00	Lewis, Jane C.....	500 00
Darling, Abbie C.....	1,000 00	Mallory, Sarah E.....	1,000 00
David, Jos. U.....	2,000 00	Mannville, Mary J.....	1,950 00
Davis, A. Matilda.....	500 00	Martin, Mrs. Sidney...	500 00
Davis, Ella I.....	500 00	McBlain, Jennie	10,000 00
Davis, Harriet F.....	300 00	McIntosh, Jennie M...	250 00
Davis, Lucretia A.....	1,183 41	McLaughlin, Noah ...	1,000 00
Deming, Abbie M.....	500 00	Miller, Harriet A.....	500 00
Dexter, Lewis	1,000 00	Mills, Chauncey L.....	800 00
Doane, Ida F.....	10,000 00	Morehouse, Mrs. Emma B. Memorial.....	1,000 00
Doane, Marguerite T..	10,000 00		
Dunbar, Minerva	500 00	Morehouse, Seth S. Memorial	1,000 00
Dutton, Frank C.....	1,000 00		
Duke, Fanny K.....	2,500 00	Moxley, Elizabeth H. S.	1,000 00
Durban, Mrs. B. J.....	1,500 00	Musson, Hephzibah F..	1,000 00
Espey, Kate W. M.....	500 00	Neff, B. L.....	500 00
Evans, Evan W.....	3,000 00	Newland, Ruth A.....	1,000 00
Everett, Jay	1,200 00	Nye, Mrs. J. E.....	2,000 00
Failing, Andrew R....	1,500 00	Olsen, Christ	1,800 00
Fish, Mrs. Ada B.....	3,000 00	Orcutt, Allie J.....	1,425 00
Fish, R. D.....	500 00	Osgood, Susan A.....	300 00
Fiske, M. Etta.....	500 00	Pieper, H. F.....	3,000 00

Price, D. J.....	$1,000 00	Williams, Beulah M. ..	$1,000 00
Pritz, Mrs. Helen F....	10,000 00	Willett, Harriet S.....	1,750 00
Porter, Miss N. C.....	500 00	Wilson, Mary E.....	500 00
Proctor, Mary G.....	2,000 00	Wingate, Mary B.....	500 00
Pruett, James M.....	1,000 00	Wooster, Sarah A.....	1,000 00
Ratcliffe, Mary Hannah	500 00	Young, Geo. H. B.....	788 94
Rice, Sylvester.....	1,000 00	*——— ———	500 00
Root, Mrs. John A.....	3,500 00	*——— ———	2,600 00
Safford, Harriet P....	1,200 00	*——— ———	3,100 00
Sawyer, Wm. Henry...	1,000 00	*——— ———	2,500 00
Shepardson, Mrs. E. S.	3,000 00	*——— ———	1,000 00
Shepardson, F. W.....	2,000 00	*——— ———	4,500 00
Silliman, C. A. W.....	1,000 00	*——— ———	4,500 00
Smith, Mary E.....	1,000 00	*——— ———	7,800 00
Smith, W. F.....	1,000 00	*——— ———	1,000 00
Snyder, Louise	150 00	*——— ———	10,000 00
Spalding, V. M.....	3,000 00	*——— ———	3,000 00
Stacey, Wm. B.....	500 00	*——— ———	500 00
Stanley, Mrs. Josephine	100 00	*——— ———	1,000 00
Stark, Laura E.....	400 00	*——— ———	2,500 00
Stelle, Angeline A.....	500 00	*——— ———	884 00
Stelle, Julia R.....	500 00	*——— ———	500 00
Stewart, A. J.....	150 00	*——— ———	7,000 00
Stimson, Eusebia C....	500 00	*——— ———	500 00
Sunderland, James	2,000 00	*——— ———	200 00
Thomas, Mary J.....	1,000 00	*——— ———	7,000 00
Thomson, Anne	500 00	*——— ———	10,000 00
Thompson, J. R.....	72.00	*——— ———	11,100 00
Todd, Emma A.....	1,000 00	*——— ———	2,000 00
Topping, A. R.....	3,793 29	*——— ———	900 00
Tripp, Robert H., Ph.D	1,000 00	*——— ———	500 00
Twiss, Waldo C.....	1,000 00	*——— ———	1,000 00
Troyer, Ione A.....	1,500 00	*——— ———	10,500 00
Valentine, Mary F.....	26,666 66	*——— ———	2,000 00
Waful, Almeda G.....	2,200 00	*——— ———	10,943 00
Walworth, Vinton	500 00	*——— ———	46,000 00
Ward, Clara	2,323 66	*——— ———	4,000 00
Warren, Minne A.....	100 00	*——— ———	2 000 00
Watson, Mrs. Anna M.	2,000 00	*——— ———	1,690 00
Wells, Lydia M.....	1,000 00	*——— ———	7,077 50
White, Sarah E.....	5.000 00	*——— ———	2,500 00
Wilder, J. Maryatt....	1,195 63	*——— ———	1,000 00
Willard, Sarah A.....	500 00	*——— ———	5,000 00
Williams, R. Jay.....	5,000 00	*——— ———	1,100 00

III. CONDITIONAL FUNDS

Donations held temporarily in trust, subject to conditions imposed by the donors:

Amount reported April 1, 1914.....		$19,991 98
Transferred to General Fund.....		1,000 00
Total Fund, March 31, 1915.....		$18,991 98
Invested as follows:		
Bonds	$15,962 41	
Mortgages	1,250 00	
Notes	100 61	
Cash in Depository.....	1,678 96	
		$18,991 98

Income for year, $1,040.66.

*Contributors who do not wish their names published.

IV. CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND

Amount reported April 1, 1914...	$197,920 58	
Receipts	8,808 48	
		$206,729 06
Disbursements—		
Expenses	$3,000 00	
Annuities	10 50	
"Waterloo Memorial Fund" paid of Walnut St. Ch., Waterloo, Ia.	5,200 00	
Written off	825 73	
		$9,036 23
Total Fund, March 31, 1915.....		$197,692 83
Loans to churches, outstanding.....	$190,596 80	
Cash in Depository.....	6,096 03	
Investment.....	1,000 00	
		$197,692 83

V. GENERAL FUND

ASSETS

Stocks and Bonds.....	$5,840 25	
Mortgages	15,801 00	
Notes	342 00	
Real Estate	12,806 13	
Office Furniture and Fixtures.....	5,116 20	
Cash in Depository	4,156 33	
Miscellaneous	3,975 96	
		$48,037 87
Income for year, $1,655.34.		
Sundry School and Mission Properties.....		1,361,936 77
		$1,409,974 64

LIABILITIES

Amount due the Annuity Fund, on account of money advanced for the construction of Virginia Union University.....	$61,155 19	
Specific appropriations unpaid March 31, 1915..	2,368 39	
		$63,523 58
Net amount of Fund, March 31, 1915.....		$1,346,451 06

VI. DESIGNATED FUND

Bonds	$19,800 00	
Mortgages	10,000 00	
Cash in Depositories	7,414 06	
Virginia Union University Loan	1,000 00	
Total Fund, March 31, 1915		$38,214 06

Income for year, $1,449.89.

VII. LEGACY RESERVE FUND

Amount reported April 1, 1914		$53,853 52
Invested as follows:		
Stocks and Bonds	$26,148 95	
Mortgages	7,283 33	
Real Estate	6,633 34	
Notes	5,377 02	
Cash in Depository	8,410 88	
		$53,853 52

Income for year, $1,877.27.

BALANCE SHEET, MARCH 31, 1915

ASSETS

Mortgages		$867,147 10
Stocks and Bonds		1,046,623 73
*Notes (Per Contra $61,155.19)		67,374 82
Real Estate		144,124 09
School and Mission Properties		1,361,936 77
Cash in Depositories		66,975 21
Miscellaneous Items		10,092 16
		3,564,273 88
Profit and Loss, Debit		33,732 06
		$3,598,005 94

LIABILITIES

Capital Accounts:		
General Fund	$1,346,451 06	
Appropriations Unpaid	2,368 39	
*Bills Payable, Loan for Virginia Union University	61,155 19	
		1,409,974 64
Designated Fund		38,214 06
Church Edifice Loan Fund		197,692 83
Permanent Trust Fund		1,323,801 42
Annuity Fund		555,477 49
Conditional Fund		18,991 98
Legacy Reserve Fund		53,853 52
		$3,598,005 94

FRANK T. MOULTON, *Treasurer.*

23 East 26th St., New York, March 31, 1915.

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

We have audited the books and accounts of The American Baptist Home Mission Society from April 1, 1914, to March 31, 1915, including verification at the latter date of the cash balances on deposit and the investments in bonds, stocks, notes, real estate mortgages, and real estate, by count and examination of the documentary evidence and comparison thereof with the Society's records; and

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing report of the Treasurer for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1915, is correct and in accordance with the books of the Society.

(Signed) HASKINS & SELLS,
Certified Public Accountants.

New York, April 23, 1915.

EXHIBIT A

Receipts of the American Baptist Home Mission Society for the Fiscal Year 1914-15.

FROM	1 For Budget Purposes	2 For Designated Purposes	3 For Permanent Investment Funds	4 For Annuity Fund	Totals
1. Churches, Sunday schools and Young People's Societies	$331,052 82	$2,217 48	.....	.....	$333,270 30
2. Individuals	120,172 00	2,070 09	$5,696 66	$97,701 55	225,640 30
3. Legacies	67,674 02	.....	21,487 58	.....	89,161 60
4. Matured Annuities	31,524 73	.....	16,000 00	.....	47,524 73
5. Income of Funds and Properties	81,393 19	17,469 08	8,588 16	.....	107,450 43
6. Miscellaneous Sources	14,318 76	.....	1,647 86	.....	15,966 62
	$646,135 52	$21,756 65	$53,420 26	$97,701 55	$819,013 98

See foregoing pages for details of above.

EXHIBIT B

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF CONTRIBUTIONS FOR BUDGET PURPOSES

	1912-13	1913-14	1914-15
1. Churches	$269,049 99	$249,800 04	$254,191 79
2. Sunday Schools	12,115 09	7,164 17	7,028 66
3. Young People's Societies	1,315 06	1,141 57	800 97
4. Individuals	120,068 08	129,249 98	120,172 00
	$402,548 22	$387,355 76	$382,193 42

EXHIBIT C

Table showing Budget Apportionments, Contributions credited on Apportionments, Contributions not credited on Apportionments, and Contributions from Individuals, grouped according to Collection Districts.

DISTRICTS	STATES	Apportionment	Contributions credited on Apportionment	Not credited on Apportionment	Contributions from Individuals
New England Joint..	Maine	$4,796 00	$4,891 54	.....	$136 00
	New Hampshire	2,978 50	3,108 47	.....	519 00
	Vermont	2,550 00	2,375 68	.....	153 00
	Massachusetts	31,300 00	27,365 49	.....	952 31
	Rhode Island	5,749 02	4,724 88	.....	19 75
	Connecticut	7,500 00	6,152 84	.....	1,718 33
New York	New York	65,000 00	49,784 22	.....	102,486 27
	New Jersey, Northern	13,447 00	11,862 85	.....	529 00
South Eastern	Pennsylvania	24,287 00	22,363 68	.....	2,942 29
	New Jersey, Southern	5,169 50	4,031 69	.....	31 00
	Delaware	731 00	591 82	.....	5 00
	District of Columbia	3,255 00	1,626 08	.....	177 64
Kanawha Joint	West Virginia	6,250 00	5,804 61	.....	209 38
Wabash Joint	Ohio	19,808 00	13,979 75	.....	2,497 87
	Indiana	9,214 00	7,030 83	.....	428 00
Lake Joint	Illinois	19,000 00	16,956 16	.....	1,496 66
Iowa Joint	Iowa	8,580 00	7,614 95	.....	171 60
Superior Joint	Minnesota	7,458 00	6,008 43	.....	107 80
	North Dakota	1,000 00	647 33	.....	20 00
	South Dakota	2,362 00	1,841 81	$213 70	.....
Wisconsin Joint	Wisconsin	3,232 00	2,758 54	31 50	57 00
Michigan Joint	Michigan	11,050 00	9,357 59	.....	243 75
South Western Joint.	Kansas	7,407 00	5,168 62	.....	162 00
	Oklahoma	2,325 00	3,303 53	.....	90 25
	Colorado	4,650 00	3,697 77	.....	195 00
Missouri Joint	Missouri	5,500 00	4,757 69	.....	.....
Yellowstone Joint...	Montana	950 00	530 05	.....	11 00
	Wyoming	279 00	207 45	131 49	.....
	Idaho	810 00	702 90	.....	80 27
	Washington East	1,160 00	795 20	.....	8 00
South Pacific Joint..	Arizona	748 50	566 05	.....	5 00
	California, North	6,785 00	4,740 87	.....	92 00
	California, South	11,838 50	10,614 14	.....	4,175 50
	Nevada	279 00	241 00	.....	.....
	Oregon	4,106 90	3,041 97	.....	37 00
	Utan	270 00	214 14	.....	.....
	Washington, West	3,691 00	2,409 15	.....	.....
Nebraska, Joint	Nebraska	4,500 00	4,068 72	.....	75 90
The General Missionary Society of German Baptist Churches				1,892 45	.....
States and Countries not included in the Northern Baptist Convention.					
	Florida	.....	.....	.....	2 00
	Georgia	.....	.....	5 00	32 93
	Maryland	.....	.....	46 55	2 00
	Mississippi	.....	.....	.....	4 00
	North Carolina	.....	.....	65 00	65 00
	South Carolina	.....	.....	2 50	.....
	Tennessee	.....	.....	.....	32 50
	Texas	.....	.....	.....	150 00
	Virginia	.....	.....	111 79	50 00
	Canada	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Cuba	.....	.....	3,549 49	.....
	El Salvador, C. A.	.....	.....	12 40	.....
	Porto Rico	.....	.....	21 06	.....
Total Apportioned		$310,016 92	$255,938 49	$6,082 93	$120,172 00
Not Apportioned		3,933 08			
Individuals		125,000 00			

EXHIBIT D

LEGACIES

The following list exhibits the Legacies received by the American Baptist Home Mission Society during the year ended March 31, 1915, giving the names of the testators, their residences and the amounts:

FOR GENERAL FUND

CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles—Estate of E. C. Howard	$500 00
San Bernardino—Estate of T. C. Newman	552 70

CANADA

Quebec—Estate of Taylor Little	39 00

CONNECTICUT

[illegible] of Mary L. Clemons	150 62
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]*ybrook*—Estate of Mary McC. Wooster	1,102 34
[illegible]*est Stratford*—Estate of Clarissa Beardsley	1,500 00

ILLINOIS

Chicago—Estate of Oliver S. Lyford	100 00
Moline—Estate of Sarah E. Richards	1,647 87
Oak Park—Estate of Elizabeth M. Skeen	500 00
Orion—Estate of Mary L. Hitchcock	500 00

INDIANA

Indianapolis—Estate of George Durler	22 50
Peru—Estate of Thomas Fleming	490 00

KANSAS

Topeka—Estate of Nancy J. Miller	233 25

MAINE

Oakland—Estate of Jeanette Benjamin	2,500 00

MARYLAND

Cumberland—Estate of Rev. James Miller	29 16

MASSACHUSETTS

[illegible]—Estate of Mary Ann Smith	285 30
[illegible]—Estate of Sarah A. L. Daniels	200 00
[illegible]—Estate of Charles F. Byam	1,000 00
[illegible]—Estate of Mrs. Henrietta Burdett	1,000 00
Danvers—Estate of Maria Goodhue	369 54
Dorchester—Estate of Isabelle A. Fosdick	400 00
Fitchburg—Estate of Margaret P. Snow	3,561 07
Gardner—Estate of Susanna Stone	65 48
Groton—Estate of Caroline M. Corey	5,[illegible] 00
Haverhill—Estate of Rosetta Austin	[illegible] 52
Holyoke—Estate of John H. Evans	500 00
Lawrence—Estate of Sarah A. French	6,335 03
Marshfield—Estate of Lucy Turner	1,000 00
Medfield—Estate of William S. Tilden	1,951 07
Newburyport—Estate of Mary Elwell	54 24
Oak Bluffs—Estate of Emily C. Ayer	107 29
Randolph—Estate of Ellen R. DuBois	2,000 00
Somerville—Estate of Nancy J. Litchfield	360 00
Springfield—Estate of Francis C. Morgan	132 35
Taunton—Estate of Miss E. W. Dyer	100 00
Weston—Estate of Daniel S. Ford	1,950 00
Woburn—Estate of Peter Fiske	350 00

MISSOURI

Lee's Summit—Estate of Armanda G. Chambers	$83 35

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Alton—Estate of Ellen M. Jones	300 00
Laconia—Estate of Asabel Sanborn	38 83
Manchester—Estate of Mary Sheppard	500 00

NEW JERSEY

Bloomfield—Estate of Warren B. Thompson	250 00

NEW YORK

Brooklyn—Estate of Catherine Steane	25 00
Brooklyn—Estate of Joseph Wild	5,000 00
Fayetteville—Estate of Fidelia D. Eaton	336 85
Hornell—Estate of Maria Conderman	2,000 00
Manchester—Estate of Polly Mitchell	19 33
Owego—Estate of Frances C. Buckbee	500 00
Rochester—Estate of George Fisher	100 00
Rochester—Estate of Daniel A. Woodbury	100 00
Syracuse—Estate of Jerathmeal Hunt	2,561 39
Syracuse—Estate of Frances E. Anderson	300 00
Utica—Estate of Almira Brewer	3,178 56
Worcester—Estate of Jesse Evans	100 00

PENNSYLVANIA

Clifford—Estate of Alsen F. Burdick	100 00
Pittsburgh—Estate of James E. Petticord	750 00
Pittsburgh—Estate of David W. Riggs	898 93
Strawberry Ridge—Estate of Jane D. Kreamer	30 00
Tredyffrin—Estate of Naomi L. Hughes	950 00
West Granville—Estate of Luther F. Clark	50 00

RHODE ISLAND

Newport—Estate of Irene A. Whipple	411 33
Providence—Estate of H. J. Jackson	56 25
Providence—Estate of Mary A. Tucker	87 90

VERMONT

Windsor—Estate of P. C. Skinner	10 10

WISCONSIN

Delavan—Estate of Robt. H. James	6,911 83
Hudson—Estate of Irad S. Ingerson	808 54
Janesville—Estate of James B. Crosby	2,779 98
Warrens—Estate of William Alonzo Barber	311 62
Total	$67,674 02

FOR PERMANENT TRUST FUND

CONNECTICUT

New London—Estate of Mary E. Fengar	$14,725 17

INDIANA

La Porte—Estate of Henry B. Weir	1,000 00

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston—Estate of Elizabeth N. Butler	1,000 00
Charlestown—Estate of Charles F. Byam	1,000 00

NEW YORK

Albion—Estate of Clara E. W. Sawyer	3,000 00
Fayetteville—Estate of Fidelia D. Eaton	334 91

PENNSYLVANIA

Pittsburgh—Estate of David W. Riggs	427 50
Total	$21,487 58
Grand Total	$89,161 60

EXHIBIT E

Receipts and Disbursements under Budget for year 1914-15

Receipts	Budget Expectations	Budget Receipts	More than Expectation	Less than Expectation
Contributions from Churches	$304,950 00	$254,191 79	.....	$50,758 21
Contributions from Sunday Schools	7,000 00	7,028 66	$28 66	.....
Contributions from Young People's Soc's	2,000 00	800 97	.....	1,199 03
Total	$313,950 00	$262,021 42	$28 66	$51,957 24
Contributions from Individuals	125,000 00	120,172 00	.....	4,828 00
Legacies	70,000 00	67,674 02	.....	2,325 98
Income from Invested Funds:				
(a) Permanent Trust Fund—General	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....
Permanent Trust Fund—Education	22,000 00	19,227 45	.....	2,772 55
Permanent Trust Fund—Church [illegible] Work	11,500 00	9,499 44	.....	2,000 56
(b) Annuity Fund	20,500 00	25,120 28	4,620 28	.....
(c) [illegible] Fund	550 00	889 68	339 68	.....
(d) Designated Fund	800 00	611 75	.....	188 25
(e) General Fund	800 00	1,655 34	855 34	.....
(f) Legacy Reserve Fund	900 00	1,877 27	977 27	.....
From Sale of Literature	500 00	143 09	.....	356 91
Surplus from [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Annuities Released by Death of Donors	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....
Conditional Funds Released	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....
Pulpit Supply Funds	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....
Church Edifice Gift Mortg's Realized on	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....
Unclassified	.....	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....
Totals	$624,000 00	$577,893 11	$19,322 60	$65,429 49

Disbursements	Budget Requirements	Budget Disbursements	More than Requirement	Less than Requirement
1. MISSION WORK:				
(a) Field Secretary and Superintendents, including salaries, rent, office and traveling expenses	$12,600 00	$17,376 11	$4,776 11	.....
(b) Appropriations to States West of Mississippi River	112,627 50	113,867 16	1,239 66	.....
(c) Appropriations to States East of Mississippi River	62,107 50	56,153 13	.....	$5,954 37
(d) Appropriations to Indians	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	[illegible] 19
(e) Appropriations to Spanish Speak'g	90,891 00	82,833 48	.....	[illegible] 52
(f) Appropriations to Germans	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	.....
(g) Contingent Fund	6,000 00	.....	.....	6,000 00
Total for Mission Work	$304,371 00	$289,749 69	$6,015 77	$20,637 08
2. EDUCATIONAL WORK:				
(a) Salary and Expenses of Superintendent	$4,000 00	$1,442 60	.....	$2,557 40
(b) Salaries, Principals and Teachers	105,390 00	102,844 52	.....	[illegible] 48
(c) Expenses, Care of Properties, Repairs, etc.	13,000 00	14,850 89	$1,850 89	.....
(d) Additions to Properties, Buildings, etc.	3,000 00	5,445 55	2,445 55	.....
(e) Insurance	4,000 00	4,009 57	9 57	.....
(f) Auditing School Accounts	200 00	207 86	7 86	.....
(g) Contingent Fund	4,000 00	.....	.....	4,000 00
Total for Education	$133,590 00	$128,800 99	$4,313 87	$9,102 88
3. CHURCH EDIFICE WORK:				
(a) Appropriations to States West of Mississippi River	$19,400 00	$13,187 19	.....	$6,212 81
(b) Appropriations to States East of Mississippi River	9,124 50	7,515 70	.....	1,608 80
(c) Appropriations to Spanish Speak'g	6,680 00	4,712 30	.....	1,967 70
(d) Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	3,750 00	3,877 07	127 07	.....
(e) Insurance	1,000 00	1,239 55	239 55	.....
(f) Repairs and Expenses	.....	6,003 93	6,003 93	.....
(g) Contingent Fund	4,000 00	.....	.....	4,000 00
Total for Church Edifice	$43,954 50	$36,535 74	$6,370 55	$13,789 31

4. PROMOTION OF INTEREST AND BENEFICENCE:

	Budget Requirements	Budget Disbursements	More than Requirement	Less than Requirement
(a) District Secretaries, including salaries, rent, office and traveling expenses	$31,085 00	$26,311 10	.....	$4,773 90
(b) Baptist Forward Movement	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....
(c) Advertising	1,000 00	935 71	.....	64 29
Anniversaries	800 00	961 66	$161 66	.....
Annual Report	800 00	1,081 31	281 31	.....
Express and Freight	335 00	179 59	.....	155 41
General Apportionment Committee of North'n Baptist Convention	1,600 00	2,154 60	554 60	.....
Northern Baptist Convention	2,900 00	1,873 56	.....	1,026 44
Home Missions Council	1,100 00	1,345 00	245 00	.....
Home Mission Day Exercise	1,000 00	699 73	.....	300 27
Literature, Pamphlets, Pictures, Books, etc.	2,500 00	1,856 99	.....	643 01
Missions, Share of Net Expense	2,603 00	2,603 00	.....	.....
Postage	160 00	551 17	391 17	.....
Contingent Fund	1,500 00	720 17	.....	779 83
Total for Promotion of Interest and Beneficence	$51,383 00	$45,273 59	$1,633 74	$7,743 15

5. ADMINISTRATION:

(a) Home Office salaries and expenses of officers and clerical force in Sec's and Treas's Dep'm'ts	$20,552 00	$19,977 53	.....	$574 47
(b) Audit	400 00	413 25	$13 25	.....
Exchange	200 00	251 83	51 83	.....
Expense of Collecting Legacies	.....	1,218 32	1,218 32	.....
Expenses of Board Members attending Meetings	300 00	278 70	.....	21 30
Internal Revenue	.....	11 70	11 70	.....
Legal Expenses	100 00	132 65	32 65	.....
Office Supplies and Expenses	1,425 00	1,549 63	124 63	.....
Postage	400 00	183 39	.....	216 61
Rent	3,350 00	3,350 00	.....	.....
Incidentals	.....	158 10	158 10	.....
Contingent Fund	400 00	.....	.....	400 00
	$27,127 00	$27,525 10	$1,610 48	$1,212 38
Less Amount Charged to Church Edifice Loan Fund	3,000 00	3,000 00	.....	.....
	$24,127 00	$24,525 10	$1,610 48	$1,212 38

6. ANNUITIES	23,675 00	28,446 12	4,771 12	.....

			More than Appropriation	Less than Appropriation
MISCELLANEOUS:				
Budget Loans	$8,000 00	$9,067 66	$1,067 66	
Loan for Virginia Union	3,057 76	3,057 76		
Special	1,200 00	1,200 00		
Paid on Trust Fund Profit and Loss Accounts	8,000 00	5,000 00		$3,000 00
Paid to Woman's Am. Baptist Home Mission Society for this 1/3 share of Sales Rebate & collections for year 1914-15	1,500 00	1,804 79	304 79	
Sundry Investments		275 34	275 34	
Contingent Fund	500 00			500 00
	$22,257 76	$20,405 55	$1,647 79	$3,500 00
Total Under Working Budget	$603,358 26	$573,736 78	$26,363 32	$55,984 80
Appropriated for Incorporation Un- paid March 31, 1915		2,368 39	2,368 39	
	$603,358 26	$576,105 17	$28,731 71	$55,984 80
Expenses	20,641 74			20,641 74
Total Budget	$624,000 00	$576,105 17	$28,731 71	$76,626 54
Saving on Total Budget Required		47,894 83	47,894 83	
Gross Budget Requirements for year		624,000 00		
Gross Budget Disbursements for year		576,105 17		
Gross Budget Retirement Saving			$47,894 83	
Gross Budget Expenditures for year		624,000 00		
Gross Budget Receipts for year		671,894 83		
Gross Budget Receipts for year short			$76,626 54	
Surplus as the Result of the Year's Operations				$1,787 94
Society's Net Debt, reported Mar. 31, 1914			$71,013 54	
Less cash released from balances reserved March 31, 1914, under Budgets of 1912-13 and 1913-14, appropriations having lapsed		$ 16		
Society's share of Joint Debt Campaign Receipts		47,851 80		
			$71,013 54	

EXHIBIT F

The value of the school and mission properties under the supervision of the Society is estimated as follows:

I.—SCHOOL PROPERTIES

Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.	Estimated	Value,	$100,000 00
Bishop College, Marshall, Tex.	"	"	130,000 00
Coamo, Porto Rico	"	"	3,000 00
Grace Conaway Institute, Rio Piedras, P. R.	"	"	25,000 00
El Cristo, Cuba	"	"	50,000 00
Florida Institute, Live Oak, Fla.	"	"	6,000 00
Indian University, Bacone, Okla.	"	"	85,000 00
Jackson College, Jackson, Miss.	"	"	80,000 00
Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.	"	"	120,000 00
Shaw University	"	"	200,000 00
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.	"	"	325,000 00
Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.	"	"	300,000 00

II.—MISSION PROPERTIES

	Estimated Value		Estimated Value
Alaska, Skagway.....	$1,000 00	Mexico, Aguas Calientes	$5,500 00
California, San Francisco	35,000 00	City of Mexico.....	40,000 00
Cuba, Baire.....	2,000 00	New Laredo	1,800 00
Baracoa	8,000 00	Puebla	3,500 00
Barajagua	600 00	San Luis Potosi.....	3,500 00
Bayamo	5,000 00	Tampico	4,000 00
Boniato	500 00	Montana, Lodge Grass.	6,000 00
Ciego de Avila.....	5,000 00	Pryor	1,500 00
Dos Caminos	2,500 00	Oklahoma, Anadarko...	10,000 00
Duaba	600 00	Elk Creek	2,500 00
El Caney	1,000 00	Fort Sill	2,500 00
El Cristo	10,000 00	Rainy Mountain	2,500 00
Ensenada	300 00	Watonga	800 00
Galbis	300 00	Porto Rico, Barranquitas	3,000 00
Guantanamo	10,000 00	Aguas Buenas	600 00
Jamal	600 00	Anon	750 00
Jarahueca	500 00	Barros	1,250 00
Jatabonico	500 00	Beatriz	500 00
Jauco	600 00	Cayey	6,500 00
Jibacoa	375 00	Caguas	12,000 00
Jiguani	2,000 00	Carolina	5,000 00
Juan Baron	600 00	Coamo	8,000 00
Manzanillo	3,500 00	Corral Viejo	2,500 00
Marti	800 00	Culebra	800 00
Media Luna	700 00	Cidra	1,000 00
Minas	800 00	Guanica	1,200 00
Niquero	300 00	Gurabo	350 00
Palmarito	700 00	Jerusalem	600 00
Palma Soriano	2,000 00	La Playa	2,500 00
Puerto Principe	15,000 00	Mediania Alta	800 00
Sabana	600 00	Mulas	325 00
San Luis	3,000 00	Ponce	15,000 00
Santa Maria	500 00	Quebrada Grande	350 00
Santa Rita	1,000 00	Rio Piedras	6,500 00
Santiago	20,000 00	San Juan	16,000 00
Songo	2,000 00	San Lorenzo	1,800 00
Ti Arriba	100 00	San Turce	1,500 00
Tunas	2,000 00	Sierra Alta	500 00
Veguitas	1,200 00	Yauco	5,900 00

THE NUMBER OF MISSIONARIES, ETC., FROM 1871 TO 1915 INCLUSIVE

Year	MISSIONARIES																																	SCHOOLS			
	Total number Missionaries and Teachers	Among Americans	Germans	Scandinavians	French	Mexicans	Italians	Negroes	Chinese	Japanese	Bohemians	Welsh	Portuguese	Finns	Icelanders	Jews	Australians	Hungarians	Swiss	Greeks	Slavonians	Bulgarians	Spaniards	Cubans	Porto Ricans	Russians	Lithuanians	Armenians	Teachers	Pupils	Value of property	Total number
1871....	352	142	25	15	4	3	13	32	3																												
1872....	414	233	22	14	7	4	7	32	4																												
1873....	435	282	29	6	8	3	7	37	2																												
1874....	359	233	38	5	8	1	8	27	2																												
1875....	334	213	40	12	6	1	6	38	4																												
1876*...	260	128	51	10	6	1	11	17	2																												
1877....	230	103	37	15	4	1	13	15																													
1878....	215	100	32	11	4		12	12	1																												
1879....	235	108	32	15	4		13	12	3																												
1880....	281	158	36	18	5		9	15	2																												
1881....	312	201	33	9	3		11	21	3																												
1882....	513	242	42	41	3		12	31	3																												
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1888....	833	455	72	78	6		17	43	1																												
1889....	1021	572	81	101	19		19	43	1	1			1																								
1890....	1121	621	81	121	19		19	43	1	1			1																								
1891....	1100	512	85	136	25	12	33	43	1																												
1892....	1147	544	64	146	24	13	33	43	1	1			1			1																					
1893....	1264	602	62	149	25	13	37	43	2	1	1		1																								
1894....	1030	457	62	111	22	10	14	43	3	1			1			1	1																				
1895....	1090	493	82	130	19	11	14	43	3	1			1			1	....	1																			
1896....	1180	555	72	140	17	11	13	43	3	1			1																								
1897....	1160	578	85	142	17	14	13	43	3				1																								
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1904....	1439	715	83	161	20	17	13	43	2				1			3																					
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1906....	1562	720	82	145	23	15	13	43	4				1			24	2																				
1907....	1536	707	82	147	18	31	13	43	4				1	11		28	2																				
1908....	1543	729	91	145	17	27	13	43	7	4			1			33	1																				
1909....	1560	702	87	127	19	27	13	43	4				1			35	1	....	....																		
1910....	1663	827	93	135	15	25	13	43	5				1			42	1	....	....																		
1911....	1513	824	80	122	15	24	25	43	8				1					....	....																		
1912....	1516	793	67	121	12	32	21	46	7				2	11		36	....	1	2	1	....																
1913....	1568	815	57	134	13	30	23	37	5				3			38	1	....	2	2	2																
1914....	1421	693	49	122	12	41	25	43					4	11		36	1	....	1	1	3																
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1913....	1568	815	57	134	13	30	23	37	5				3			38	1	....	2	2	2																
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*The plan of co-operation in the States of New York, Michigan and Illinois terminated in 1875, and 73 missionaries in these [illegible] were transferred to the care of their respective State conventions. †Not including secretaries and agents. ‡The decrease of missionaries among the freedmen [illegible] 1873 is largely accounted for by the fact that students were no longer commissioned as teachers and [illegible] §Including about ten teachers of government day schools in Indian Territory. ‖Not reported. Note—Lithuanians 1, 1905 [illegible], Armenians 1, 1897-8-9.

SUMMARY 1914-15

OF STATES, MISSIONARIES, LABORS AND RESULTS

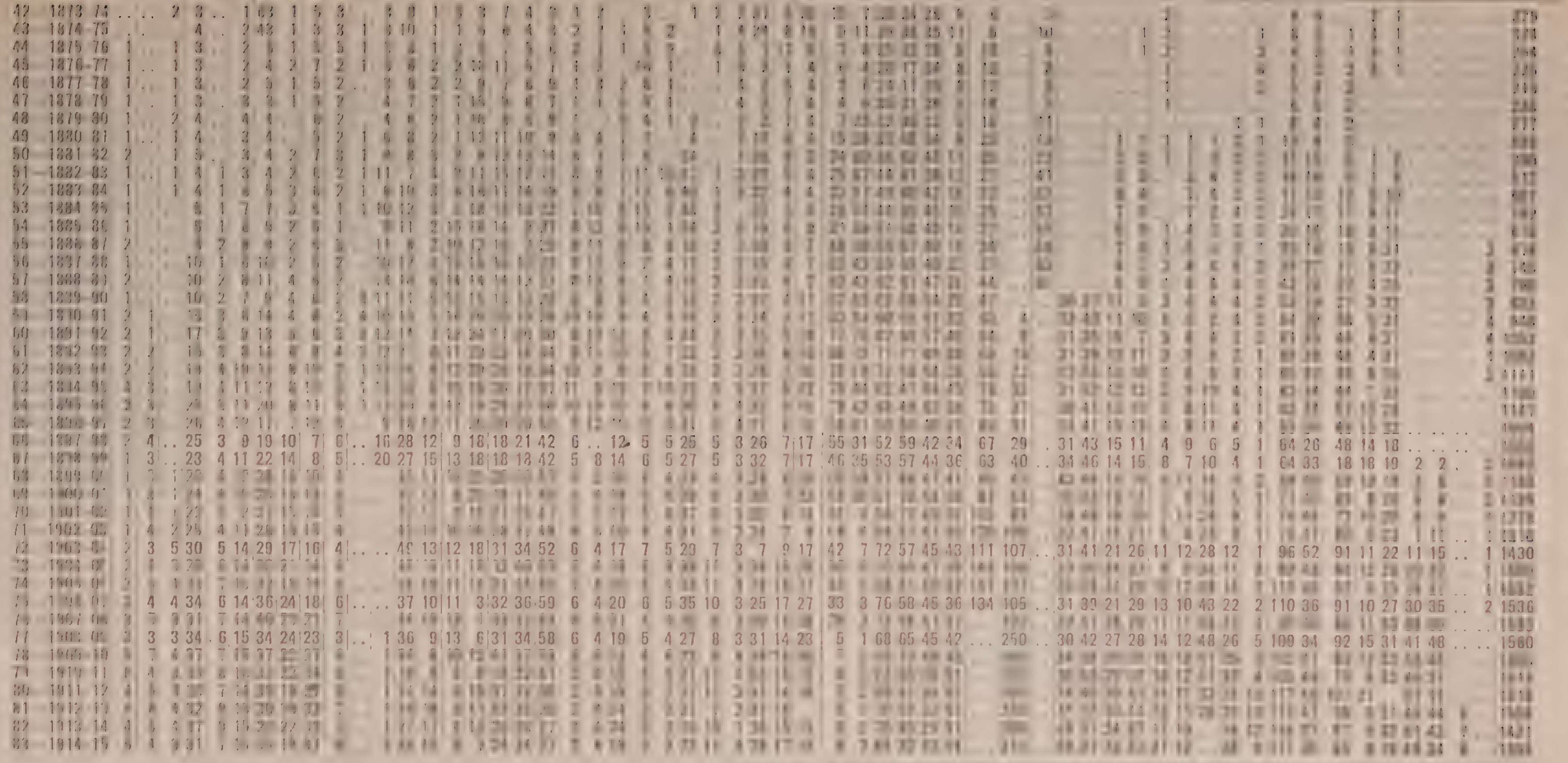
STATES, Etc.	No. of Missionaries	Weeks of Service	Churches and Out-stations Supplied	Sermons Preached	Prayer and Other Meetings Held	Families or Persons Religiously Visited	Bibles and Testaments Distributed	Pages of Tracts Distributed	Added to Church: By Baptism	Added to Church: By Letter or Experience	Number of Church Members	Churches Organized	Church Edifices Erected	Number of Sunday-Schools	Sunday-Schools Organized	Attendance at Sunday-Schools	Benevolent Contributions
Alabama	4	220															
Arkansas	2	104															
Arizona	26	1057	45	2329	1841	6362	408	35561	149	166	1168	1	3	30	6	1364	1824 31
California	111	3943	147	9177	6344	44085	1460	104382	673	963	5577	10	10	148	14	7596	16168 46
Colorado	44	1635	80	3985	2384	13149	392	28242	541	300	3408	5	1	73	12	3321	3782 75
Connecticut	15	622	24	1248	893	10063	449	63524	71	50	726	1	....	19	.....	839	554 02
Canada	8	386	24	811	458	1626	19	7440	13	11	615	....	1	17	.....	528	257 85
Cuba	35	1954	100	4624	3457	4615	.....	25240	231	.....	1768	....	....	56	.....	2254	2983 24
Dalaware	6	312	8	704	432	1634	47	3980	40	6	293	....	....	6	.....	283	325 67
District of Columbia	2	52	1	84	55	803	39	2725	21	3	28	....	....	1	.....	30	115 03
*El Salvador	8	360	30	796	424	829	15	4200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 40
Florida	2	85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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Massachusetts	31	1508	51	3764	2437	18161	1333	64028	125	50	1405	1	....	35	7	1638	1772 53
Mexico	29	1299	46	2724	1540	9272	698	122595	112	70	1307	....	....	34	2	1320	824 65
Michigan	18	773	36	2340	1266	5392	132	16716	95	139	1079	....	....	21	2	1130	2099 09
Minnesota	65	2433	111	6692	3380	11928	665	16793	375	231	3568	1	4	84	4	3372	4312 19
Mississippi	19	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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Montana	23	1027	50	2980	1456	8302	161	14457	173	136	1696	5	3	40	5	1684	2287 53
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New Jersey	19	967	27	2120	1302	10349	378	58473	112	53	843	1		19	1	1234	1019	76
New York	35	1349	39	2402	459	16318	811	97068	194	67	1494	1	1	23	1	1330	1204	29
North Carolina	24	723																
North Dakota	37	1252	75	2499	1378	4970	155	11425	77	72	1735		1	48	9	1637	1706	73
Ohio	11	486	12	834	576	3680	283	10234	72	32	648		1	10	1	528	486	84
Oklahoma (Ind. and Gen. Work)	28	1113	28	1482	115	3153	161	21709	163	29	1331			11		206	932	17
" (State Conventions)	185	7505	406	23930	9084	31757			4118	2144				216		29120		
Oregon	36	1548	65	4032	2171	6005	341	74517	498	930	2745		2	52	6	2417	2882	51
Pennsylvania	37	1467	40	3352	3233	16823	1899	131042	174	98	1198	1	5	41	6	7461	1774	84
Porto Rico	34	1634	105	3806	3677	11134	938	21454	142		2044		1	62		2749	4918	47
Rhode Island	7	312	13	781	628	3005	217	14360	36	6	406			13		367	285	29
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South Dakota	38	1557	81	3057	1361	6866	44	13144	147	146	1951	2	1	62	1	1849	3791	63
Tennessee	7	200																
Texas	22	682																
Utah	12	328	11	706	367	3246	134	1100	86	60	813	3	1	9	1	411	151	17
Vermont	3	119	1	240	271	600	116	1871			9			1		60	9	48
Virginia	26	1035		378	364	1733	11	2512	444	44								
Washington	85	3118	131	6988	4001	24497	482	64335	221	457	6181	3	1	124	8	5463	6240	94
West Virginia	15	612	6	603	511	2761	178	4750	164	142	681	1		14		332	364	52
Wisconsin	8	347	17	937	567	4600	146	4924	70	23	814	1		9	1	525	481	18
Wyoming	21	774	48	1950	1021	6247	119	1831	165	121	1486	1	1	49	4	1854	1129	42
Other Special Work	17	719																
Total	803	54264	2186	121887	47126	356412	14218	1044164	10827	8120	86026	15	69	1067	115	81315	73445	85

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Society's Year	Me.	N. H.	Vt.	Mass.	R. I.	Conn.	N. Y.	N. J.	Penn.	Del.	Md.	D. C.	Va.	W. Va.	Ky.	Tenn.	N. C.	S. C.	Ga.	Fla.	Ala.	Miss.	La.	Ark.	Tex.	Ohio	Ind.	Ill.	Mo.	Mich.	Wis.	Iowa	Minn.	Kan.	Neb.	Col.	Ind. T.	Okla.	Dak.	S. Dak.	N. Dak	Mont.	Idaho	Wyo.	Utah	N. Mex	Ariz.	Nev.	Cal.	Ore.	Wash.	Can.	Mex.	Cuba	P. Rico	El Sal.	Alaska	Total
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4—1835-36	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	5	..	20	10	19	10	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	96
5—1836-37	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	2	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	21	11	23	7	15	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	103
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15—1846-47	..	1	1	..	..	..	5	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	2	1	1	20	32	5	8	20	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	17	..	..	136
16—1847-48	..	1	1	..	..	..	7	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	2	3	19	30	4	21	19	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	19	..	..	151
17—1848-49	..	1	1	..	..	..	6	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	4	14	24	1	28	12	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	12	..	..	128
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25—1856-57	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	11	8	..	5	17	10	12	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	6	..	..	88
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29—1860 61	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	4	..	3	23	25	31	11	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	1	..	6	..	..	131
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34—1865-66	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	2	..	10	55	10	1	15	5	6	5	1	1	2	2	1	..	1	12	16	24	7	35	35	18	13	6	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	1	7	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	312
35—1866-67	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	3	..	12	56	12	..	14	10	5	3	..	2	3	3	3	..	3	17	55	36	25	36	32	22	14	9	2	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	391
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In the Eastern, Middle and older Southern States the missionary operations of Baptists among the white, English-speaking population have been conducted almost wholly by the State Conventions. This has been true also for many years in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Michigan. The exceptions to this rule occur between 1864 and 1874, during portions of which time the Society was in co-operation with New York, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Michigan and also with Wisconsin, Kansas, Nebraska, California and Florida. All the Conventions west of the Mississippi in the Northern Baptist Convention are in general co-operation with the Society.

Operations in the South were discontinued on the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845. They were resumed in 1862, since which time they have been chiefly among the Freedmen, and are largely educational. The decrease of laborers among the Freedmen after 1874 is largely accounted for by the fact that students were no longer commissioned as teachers and missionaries during their summer vacations.

1855-6, 1856-7, 1857-8, 1859-60, 1860-1, New Grenada, 1.

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS

SOCIETY'S YEAR	Contributions and Legacies and Income	No. of Missionaries	Churches and Stations Supplied	Baptisms Reported	Churches Organized	Years of Labor
1..1832-33	$ 6,586 73	50	.....	400	...	23
2..1833-34	7,776 52	62	.....	1,600	40	55
3..1834-35	8,663 84	79	.....	1,200	60	68
4..1835-36	16,910 85	96	300	1.040	96	79
5..1836-37	12,361 66	103	247	873	33	89
6..1837-38	13,437 81	105	237	1.431	29	81
7..1838-39	15,345 05	115	.....	1,058	24	88
8..1839-40	17,334 29	87	.....	761	24	62
9..1840-41	10,779 09	71	300	1,134	59	45
10..1841-42	12,506 92	93	325	1,495	36	68
11..1842-43	11,806 51	85	304	1,489	50	63
12..1843-44	13,401 76	73	249	1,127	29	46
13..1844-45	18,675 68	97	327	818	51	62
14..1845-46	15,727 73	98	472	992	33	71
15..1846-47	18,161 50	136	505	490	29	84
16..1847-48	20,068 73	151	558	694	35	105
17..1848-49	20,876 64	128	453	774	45	92
18..1849-50	25,201 09	110	338	949	33	81
19..1850-51	29,648 28	132	386	981	33	98
20..1851-52	38,114 16	141	380	1,187	46	99
21..1852-53	42,872 01	164	500	1,025	59	116
22..1853-54	56,381 08	175	612	1,322	67	137
23..1854-55	55,545 40	169	481	1,026	55	128
24..1855-56	47,928 54	113	196	542	21	87
25..1856-57	43,361 76	88	211	336	24	64
26..1857-58	41,707 82	97	247	593	27	77
27..1858-59	43,525 92	106	269	764	53	85
28..1859-60	55,749 50	128	358	496	50	96
29..1860-61	44,678 67	131	371	867	71	109
30..1861-62	31,144 28	84	252	473	30	71
31..1862-63	32,095 30	87	215	501	17	55
32..1863-64	56,090 00	147	372	892	36	83
33..1864-65	94,403 17	227	429	2,141	57	130
34..1865-66	105,936 25	312	378	4,151	89	158
35..1866-67	144,184 46	391	406	7,236	132	233
36..1867-68	139,060 44	326	352	6,712	106	207
37..1868-69	130,877 23	266	301	4,424	64	183
38..1869-70	177,878 90	301	321	3,840	70	184
39..1870-71	197,071 30	338	491	4,038	90	195
40..1871-72	186,251 29	414	500	6,029	160	259
41..1872-73	210,660 07	435	484	4,910	166	278
42..1873-74	221,272 97	329	362	2,264	113	187
43..1874-75	198,343 98	324	358	2,100	92	198
44..1875-76	177,886 62	254	300	2,036	65	159
45..1876-77	159,032 94	225	256	1,581	60	163
46..1877-78	126,463 91	213	250	1,834	36	149

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS

EDUCATIONAL TABLE—ENROLMENT FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1915

	ENROLMENT								AVERAGE ATTENDANCE										
	TEACHERS					PUPILS													
	White		Negro																
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Day Students	Boarders	General Average	Preparing for College	Pursuing Col. Course	Preparing to Teach	Receiving Instruction in Industrial Work	Pre. for the Ministry	Pursuing Min. Course	Pur. Mis. Tr. Course	Pur. Nurse Tr. Course	No. of Conversions
HIGHER SCHOOLS FOR NEGROES																				
Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock, Ark.	...	...	8	9	17	154	134	288	136	89	225	165	16	85	90	20	20	...	...	1
Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.	4	13	5	5	27	248	360	608	231	214	445	11	53	175	135	18	15	9	3	37
Bishop College, Marshall, Tex.	4	9	3	6	22	122	118	240	43	167	210	124	53	58	187	15	15	...	...	6
Hartshorn Memorial College, Richmond, Va.	1	9	...	3	13	.....	210	210	55	140	195	...	2	175	74	...	...	...	...	2
Jackson College, Jackson, Miss.	...	...	6	10	16	102	147	249	99	81	180	...	...	38	199	5	...	...	...	10
Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.	1	3	13	3	20	320	.....	320	126	165	291	114	121	30	236	68	3	...	...	12
Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.	...	1	10	11	22	78	51	127	13	75	88	51	6	31	119	18	...	...	...	8
Selma University, Selma, Ala.	...	1	9	10	20	126	176	302	115	81	196	11	3	55	120	28	4	...	...	3
Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.	2	7	14	3	26	143	147	290	100	161	261	157	25	23	227	11	3	...	...	14
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.	...	15	...	5	50	.....	644	644	241	327	568	27	9	179	500	...	...	...	21	24
State University, Louisville, Ky.	1	...	8	5	14	93	65	158	40	97	137	...	6	21	93	17	17	...	...	10
Storer College, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.	3	9	3	3	18	54	80	134	34	85	119	25	...	40	134	4	...	...	...	...
Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.	6	2	6	1	15	282	3	285	71	189	260	86	19	30	79	108	28	...	...	1
Total	21	99	85	71	280	1,717	2,128	3,845	1,301	1,901	3,205	801	346	950	2,193	342	105	9	24	138
SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR NEGROES																				
Americus Institute, Americus, Ga.	...	...	5	9	14	49	80	129	49	51	100	53	...	21	42	4	...	...	...	1
Coleman Academy, Gibsland, La.	...	...	7	5	12	85	161	246	112	58	170	...	70	.....	.....	15	...	...	...	9
Florida Baptist Academy, Jacksonville, Fla.	...	...	5	16	21	232	282	514	229	142	371	...	...	.....	161	...	8	...	...	40
Howe Bible and Normal Institute, Memphis, Tenn.	...	...	6	9	15	175	88	263	165	17	182	...	...	40	92	22	...	...	...	1
Jeruel Academy, Athens, Ga.	...	...	3	6	9	56	81	140	66	28	94	...	...	24	70	7	7	...	...	8
Thompson Institute, Lumberton, N. C.	...	...	1	5	6	27	75	102	35	47	82	...	...	.....	47	...	...	...	...	3
Tidewater Institute, Cheriton, Va.	...	...	2	3	5	42	82	124	87	12	99	17	...	16	32	...	...	...	...	11
Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta, Ga.	...	...	2	11	13	71	180	251	99	50	149	...	...	.....	108	24	24	...	...	5
Waters Normal Institute, Winton, N. C.	...	...	3	6	9	133	146	279	127	41	168	...	...	28	.....	4	4	...	...	9
Western College, Macon, Mo.	...	...	5	6	11	39	55	94	30	28	58	...	...	35	47	8	8	...	...	6
Total	...	...	39	76	115	909	1,233	2,142	999	474	1,473	70	70	167	597	81	51	...	...	93
MISCELLANEOUS																				
Indian University, Bacone, Okla.	5	12	...	...	17	156	122	278	16	218	234	...	...	.....	25	7	...	...	...	...
Red Stone Indian School, Red Stone, Okla.	...	1	...	...	1	13	10	23	17	.....	17	...	...	.....	19	...	...	...	...	...
International Schools, El Cristo, Cuba	6	5	...	...	11	87	79	166	59	75	134	23	3	5	4	4	4	...	...	40
*Theological School, Monterey, Mex.																				
Grace Conaway Institute, Rio Piedras, P. R.	1	...	...	...	1	18	.....	18	17	.....	17	...	...	.....	5	14	...	...	...	...
Total	12	18	...	...	30	274	211	485	109	293	402	23	3	5	53	25	4	...	...	40
Grand Total	33	117	124	150	425	2,900	3,572	6,472	2,412	2,668	5,080	897	419	1,122	2,843	151	160	9	24	270

*Temporarily discontinued.

Articles of Incorporation of
The American Baptist Home Mission Society

The Charter of the American Baptist Home Mission Society consists of various [illegible] the Legislature of New York, viz.:—

[illegible]er one hundred and seventeen of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-[illegible] titled *"An Act to incorporate The American Baptist Home Mission Society,"* [illegible]d and extended by chapter thirty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and [illegible], and chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the laws of eighteen hundred [illegible]nty-seven, and further amended by chapter five hundred and twenty-eight of [illegible] laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five; and further amended by chapter two [illegible] and sixty of the laws of nineteen hundred, and further amended by chapter [illegible] hundred and fifty-eight of the laws of nineteen hundred and two.

THE CHARTER.

All such persons as now are, or hereafter may become, members of The [illegible]n Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in the city of New York, in the year [illegible]teen hundred and thirty-two, shall be, and hereby are, constituted a body corporate [illegible] the name of "The American Baptist Home Mission Society," for the purpose of [illegible]ting the preaching of the Gospel, or the establishing, maintaining, or aiding [illegible]aptist churches or missions, for the acquisition of sites in contemplation of the [illegible]rection of houses of worship and other buildings, and for the establishing or maintaining, or assisting in the establishing or maintaining of schools and other institutions [illegible]ing in connection with its missionary work in North America.

2. It shall be lawful for the members of the said society, at any time they may [illegible], to appoint such officers and to make and ordain such by-laws and regulations in [illegible] to their organization and to the management, disposition and sale of their [illegible]te, the duties and powers of their officers and the management of [illegible] with the constitution and laws of this state and of the United States. The executive [illegible]oard may, on complying with this act and the constitution and by-laws of the society, and without application to the court, sell, convey, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose [illegible]y real property, wherever situated, owned by the society. Any deed, mortgage, [illegible] or other instrument by which any title or interest is transferred, may be exe-[illegible] by the corresponding secretary and the treasurer of the society, unless otherwise [illegible] by its executive board.

The said corporation shall have power to receive, take, hold and enjoy any [illegible] real or personal, by virtue of any devise, bequest, gift, grant or purchase, [illegible]ely or in trust, and to accumulate the same for such period as required [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

By-Laws of
The American Baptist Home Mission Society
Adopted at Chicago, Ill., May 12, 1910

ARTICLE I

Membership

Section 1. The membership of the Society shall be composed as follows:
(*a*) Of all persons who are now life members or honorary life members.
(*b*) Of annual members appointed by Baptist Churches. Any church may appoint one delegate, and one additional delegate for every hundred members, but no church shall be entitled to appoint more than ten delegates.
(*c*) Of all missionaries of the Society during their terms of service.
(*d*) Of all accredited delegates to each annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention.
Sec. 2. No member shall be entitled to more than one vote.

ARTICLE II

Officers

Sec. 1. The officers of the Society shall be a President, a First Vice-President, a Second Vice-President, a Third Vice-President, a Treasurer, one or more Secretaries and a Recording Secretary. They shall be elected by ballot at each annual meeting.
Sec. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society. In the case of his absence or inability to serve, his duties shall be performed by the Vice-President in attendance who is first in numerical order.
Sec. 3. The Treasurer, the Secretaries and such officers as the Board of Managers may appoint, shall be subject to the direction of the Board, and shall discharge such duties as may be defined by its regulations and rules of order.
Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall give such security for the faithful performance of his duties as the Board of Managers may direct.
Sec. 5. Each officer shall serve from the close of the annual meeting at which he is elected to the close of the next annual meeting and until his successor is elected.

ARTICLE III

Board of Managers

Sec. 1. The Board of Managers shall consist of twenty-seven persons elected by ballot at an annual meeting. At the meeting at which these by-laws shall be adopted, one-third of the managers shall be elected for one year, one-third for two years, and one-third for three years, to the end that thereafter, as nearly as practicable, one-third of the whole number of managers shall be elected at each subsequent annual meeting to fill the vacancies caused by the expiration of terms of office. As many more shall be elected also as shall be necessary to fill any vacancies in unexpired terms.
Sec. 2. The Board of Managers shall meet at the principal office of the Society to organize as soon as practicable after the annual meeting.
Sec. 3. The Board of Managers shall have the management of the affairs of the Society; shall have the power to elect its own chairman and recording secretary and to appoint such additional officers and such committees as to it may seem proper, and to define the powers and duties of each; to appoint its own meetings; to adopt such regulations and rules as to it may seem proper, including those for the control and disposition of the real and personal property of the Society, the sale, leasing or mortgaging thereof, provided they are not inconsistent with its Act of Incorporation or its by-laws; to fill all vacancies in the Board of Managers and in any office of the Society until the next meeting of the Society; to establish such agencies and to appoint and remove such agents and missionaries as to it may seem proper by a three-fifths vote of all members present and voting at the meeting when said vote is taken; to fix the compensation of officers, agents and missionaries; to direct and instruct them concerning their respective duties; and to make all appropriations of money. At the annual meeting of the Society, and at the first session of each annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention it shall present a printed or written full and detailed report of the proceedings of the Society and of its work during the year.

ARTICLE IV

Eligibility to Appointment

All officers, all members of the Board of Managers and all missionaries must be members of Baptist Churches.

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Annual and other Meetings

The Society shall meet annually on the third Wednesday in May, unless for some special reason another time shall be fixed by the Board of Managers on conference with the [illegible] its other co-operating organizations. The meeting shall be held [illegible] eeting of the Northern Baptist Convention shall be held. Special [illegible] held at any time and place upon the call of the Board of Managers.

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Relations with Northern Baptist Convention

With a view to unification in general denominational matters, the Northern Baptist Convention at each election may present nominations for officers, for the Board of Managers and for the General Committee.

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Amendments

These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any annual meeting of the Society, provided written notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given at the preceding annual meeting of the Society, or such amendment shall be recommended by the Board of Managers.

Appendix D

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

Sixth Annual Report

of the

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

1915

Headquarters of the Society and the
Baptist Missionary Training School

2969 Vernon Avenue :: Chicago, Illinois

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BY-LAWS

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

PREAMBLE

This corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois for the purpose of aiding in spreading the Gospel and Christianizing homes by means of Missions and Mission Schools with special reference to the Freed People, the Indians, and Immigrant populations throughout our country, has, by the power bestowed upon it, adopted the following By-laws:

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BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

ARTICLE I

The regular meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held the first and third Tuesdays of each month. This order shall be held subject to necessary change as deemed advisable by the Chairman of the Board of Managers. A special meeting may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Board of Managers, or at the request of three members, provided suitable notice is sent to each member. Every meeting of the Board of Managers shall be opened by the reading of the Scripture and prayer.

ARTICLE II

The Board of Managers shall choose annually three of its members to serve as Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Clerk. The Chairman shall appoint all Committees unless otherwise ordered and shall be a member of all Committees *ex officio*. The Clerk shall keep an exact record of all the business transacted by the Board, which shall be read at the next regular meeting, and when approved shall be signed by the Clerk.

ARTICLE III

The standing committees of the Board shall be the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Missionary Work, the Committee on Educational Work, the Committee on Building and Grounds, the Committee on Publications, the Committee on Vacancies on the Board, the Committee on Work among Young Women and Children.

Sec. (*a*). The Committee on Finance shall devise and recommend methods for raising the funds necessary for the prosecution of the work of the Society. It shall also recommend all investments and the expenditure of funds for general purposes. After examining the estimates submitted by all standing and special committees, the Committee shall prepare a budget, recommending to the Board such appropriations as seem advisable for the fiscal year.

Sec. (*b*). The Committee on Missionary Work shall recommend the appointment, transfer, and withdrawal of all missionaries, the designation of fields and salaries, and the appointment of all other employees not otherwise provided for, and shall submit to the Committee on Finance, at such time as that Committee may direct, an estimate of the amount which said Committee believes it will require for the carrying on of its work for the coming fiscal year.

Sec. (*c*). The Committee on Educational Work shall recommend the appointment, transfer, and withdrawal of all principals, teachers, and matrons, shall designate their fields and fix their salaries. This Committee shall appoint a Special Committee of Conference for the Training School, consisting of three members from the Educational Committee with the Corresponding Secretary of the Society. The Committee on Educational Work shall make to the Board all recommendations with reference to the work of the Training School and of the other schools supported in part or wholly by the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society; and shall submit to the Finance Committee, at such time as the Finance Committee may direct, an estimate of the amount which said Committee believes it will require for all the educational work of the Society for the coming fiscal year.

Sec. (*d*). The Committee on Building and Grounds shall have charge of the buildings and grounds at 2411 Indiana Avenue and 2969 Vernon Avenue and shall recommend to the Board all necessary repairs and other matters relative to their proper care and shall recommend to the Committee on Finance at such time as the Finance Committee may direct an estimate of the amount which said Committee believes it will require to carry on its work for the coming fiscal year.

Sec. (*e*). The Committee on Publications shall make all recommendations with reference to the monthly magazine and all other publications to be used by the Society, and shall submit to the Committee on Finance, at such time as that committee may direct, an estimate of the amount which said Committee believes it will require for the carrying on of its work for the coming fiscal year.

Sec. (*f*). The Committee on Vacancies on the Board shall nominate members to fill vacancies on the Executive Board and shall recommend Auxiliary members.

Sec. (*g*). The Committee on Work among Young Women and Children shall make all recommendations with reference to this line of work as far as it is related to this Society, and shall submit to the Committee on Finance, at such time as the Committee may direct, an estimate of the amount which said Committee believes it will require for the carrying on of its work for the coming fiscal year.

ARTICLE IV

All Committees shall present recommendations to the Board of Managers in writing, and shall take no action without the approval of the Board.

ARTICLE V

Sec. (*a*). The Board of Managers shall appoint a State Director for each state, who shall prosecute the work in the respective states under the direction of the Board and in co-operation with the District Secretary.

Sec. (*b*). The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint Honorary and Auxiliary members. Honorary and Auxiliary members shall not hold office, but may serve on committees, participate in all discussions, and vote on all questions not pertaining to finance or requiring a legal vote. If any resident member of the Board of Managers or any Auxiliary member shall be absent from three regular consecutive meetings, without sending any message, her place shall be considered vacant, and may be filled. If any non-resident member of the Board of Managers fails to keep in touch with the Board through correspondence or otherwise, and disregards all communications from headquarters for a period of six consecutive months, her place shall be considered vacant and may be filled.

ARTICLE VI

These By-laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Board by a two-thirds vote of the members present, notice of the proposed amendment having been given at a previous meeting.

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

2969 Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

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OF THE

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915

THE SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

As the year comes to a close and account is taken of progress made, of the successes, of seeming failures, of the discouragements, and of the victories which mean souls won for the Master, of broken lives bound up and healed, and of character building, the record is made and becomes a part of the history of that splendid task in which Baptist women are permitted to share, the constructing of a Christian nation. It is a cause of rejoicing that this year has been lived faithfully by the missionaries and teachers and that each one has conscientiously tried to render an acceptable service unto the Lord.

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF MANAGERS

While there has been no change in the General Officers since the election in June, we regret that Mrs. J. Y. Aitchison and Mrs. E. D. Johnson have found it necessary to resign from our regular Board. It is to be regretted that because of inability to attend the Board meeting, the following have resigned from the Auxiliary Board: Mrs. J. A. MacNeill, Mrs. A. E. Reynolds, Mrs. H. B. Gear and Mrs. D. T. Layman. It has been a pleasure to welcome Mrs. H. S. Budgell and Mrs. Augusta M. Post, Mrs. E. Orris Hart and Mrs. J. Y. Aitchison as auxiliary members.

STATE OFFICERS

There have been a number of resignations in the Department of State Administration, which have been accepted with sincere regret. The following State Directors have resigned: Miss Susan F. McKnew, District of Columbia; Miss Louise Coburn, Maine; Mrs. R. L. Christensen, Nevada; Mrs. Charles G. West, Kansas; Mrs. Minnie Moody, Wisconsin; Mrs. W. L. Pettingill, Delaware; Mrs. J. E. Moring, Indiana; Mrs. Thomas Stephenson, Montana; Mrs. Nettie R. Chipp, Idaho; Mrs. W. A. Benson, Colorado, the last three resignations to take effect April 1st. To fill these vacancies the following have been appointed: Mrs. Rufus Lamson, Maine; Miss Kate S. White, District of Columbia; Mrs. William Van Tassel, Nevada; Mrs. Jennie L. Pettigrew, Wisconsin; Mrs. M. J. Horn, Delaware; Mrs. J. F. Fraser, Indiana; Mrs. G. W. Cassidy, Kansas; Mrs. W. G. Swart, Colorado, and Mrs. U. M. Over, Idaho, the last two to assume the duties of office April 1st.

In the work among young women and children there have been the following resignations among the State Directors: Miss Mary C. Carr, District of Columbia; Miss Mattie Curtis, Oklahoma; Mrs. W. M. Hardman (Ch.), Ohio; Miss Louise Robinson, Western New York; Miss Florence Campbell (Y. W.), Ohio; Mrs. A. B. Upham, Eastern Massachusetts; Miss Kate M. Richardson, Delaware; Miss Zoe E. Barnthouse (Ch.), Ohio; Mrs. J. C. Porterfield, Western Massachusetts; Mrs. W. Leon Tucker, Southern California (Y. W.); Mrs. Thomas Stephenson, Montana. The following appointments have been made: Miss Kate M. Richardson, Delaware; Miss Lena Bruner, Indiana; Mrs. Earl A. Partridge, Western New York; Miss Zoe E. Barnthouse, Ohio (Ch.); Miss Genevra Brunner, Southern California, (Y. W.); Mrs. John E. Huhn, District of Columbia; Miss Ellen C. Little, Ohio, (Y. W.); Miss Grace Moseley, Eastern Massachusetts; Mrs. C. M. Burke, Michigan (Ch.); Mrs. H. M. Woods, Western Massachusetts; Miss Louise Matthews, Delaware.

With the close of our fiscal year the women of Oklahoma will sever their connection with our Society and have alignment only

with the Woman's Auxiliary of the Southern Baptist Convention. The sympathetic interest and cordial support of the Oklahoma women will be greatly missed, and it is to be regretted that Oklahoma will no longer be affiliated with our work.

RELATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Frequent and profitable Conferences with representatives of the other co-operating societies of the Northern Baptist Convention have proved beneficial and enlightening in matters of mutual interest. Through the Department of Missionary Education we have endeavored to reach the uninterested with informing and inspirational literature.

The fall months of the year have been assigned to the Home Mission Societies for cultivating a larger interest in Home missions in Sunday Schools. This period culminated the Sunday after Thanksgiving with a special program and offering. It is a disappointment that comparatively so few of the schools either observed the period, presented the program or took an offering.

The Society has co-operated in the United Missionary Campaign and has been represented at the Associational meetings in a number of the States on the efficiency programs. The Society is represented on the Council of Women for Home Missions and is actively interested through delegates and speakers in the various Summer Schools of Missions. Through the Council it assists in the support of a representative at the ports of entry. Representatives are sent to the Student Conferences of the Y. W. C. A. and the Conferences of the Missionary Educational Movement, thus touching the student body of the young women of our country and also the young people from the churches. In co-operation with other denominations interested in Latin-American fields, plans are being made for a Conference on Missions in Latin America at Panama, February 10–20, 1916, when all phases of this important work will be discussed. It is hoped that this conference will do for Latin America what the Edinburgh Conference did for the work in the Far East.

WORK AMONG YOUNG WOMEN

At a recent conference of field workers the question was asked, "Has there been much real advance made in the efforts to reach the young women, and to inspire them with a larger vision of the world's needs?"

The following brief report will give a hint of what has been accomplished in the last six years. Six years ago we had eight State Directors, thirteen Associational Directors and two hundred and twenty-five local societies, while to-day we have twenty-five State Directors, one hundred and ninety-five Associational Directors and six hundred and thirty-five local societies, exclusive of organized classes, study classes and the B. Y. P. U. This splendid record not only gratifies but encourages us to greater effort, and to the determination not to be satisfied till every state and association has a director to further the work among our young women.

Not many months after appointment, Miss Helyn O. Henry, our Secretary for Young Women, found it necessary to give up the work, and Miss Helen R. Crissman was appointed, her special task being to interest young women in definite Christian service and preparation in our Baptist Missionary Training School, her work being in connection with our schools and colleges.

LIGHT BEARERS

The movement of organized classes, resulting in class initiative and activities, has to some extent retarded the increased organization among our boys and girls. While many of these classes are interested in Missions, there yet remains many of the boys and girls uninformed and uninterested in Missions. Impressions made upon these young people will abide, and it should be our duty as well as privilege to see that they are not neglected, but that attractive plans and inspiring literature are provided for them. The attractive Junior book on the Indians, together with stories and legends, have been largely used this year.

During the year 531 Annual Certificates have been issued to Light Bearers and $132.92 in contributions have been received.

BABY BANDS

The contributions from the Baby Bands are $590.16. The gifts are used toward the several kindergartens maintained by the Society.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES AND GENERAL WORKERS

The list of District Secretaries and General Workers has remained unchanged throughout the year, and much of the success of our work is due to the ability and self-sacrificing spirit of these coworkers. We regret that Mrs. S. F. Stewart, who has been so long connected with the work of the Society, has sent her resignation as General Worker, to take effect the first of April.

As usual a number of missionaries have assisted in the Associational meetings and State Conventions.

ORGANIZATION

Splendid service has been rendered by the State and Associational Directors in strengthening the work in the States and in local societies. So much of the success of the work depends upon these key women, who by personal touch and by correspondence inspire and encourage the women in the churches. They have a mission of service to perform as truly as the missionaries on the field, for without them the whole work would suffer. The annual messages from these workers report 3259 Auxiliaries affiliated with the Society, including 635 Young Women's Societies and 390 Children's organizations.

FINANCIAL

The budget for the year 1914–1915 was $237,700.00. Of this amount $184,020.00 was to be apportioned to the churches, but in the distribution by the states only $179,000.00 was given out. Of the remainder $20,000.00 was the anticipated income from individuals, $12,000.00 from legacies and $21,680.00

from income from invested funds, annuity bonds and specific gifts.

The close of the fiscal year records an income of $224,601.11, balance in treasury April 1, 1914, $4,702.20, making a total of $229,303.31 available for the work of the year. The total disbursements of $229,189.50, with $113.81 cash in the bank and bills payable amounting to $5,296.53, leave a deficit of $5,182.72. Every effort possible was made to secure the needed amount, and while we are greatly disappointed at the result we are not discouraged. The unusual conditions which have prevailed in the denomination and the financial stringency caused by the European war we believe have been factors in creating the deficit. The Board has kept its expenditures well within the budget limit and had the states met their apportionments there would have been a balance in the treasury. An ancouraging point in our Treasurer's Report is the fact that while our receipts from churches and Sunday Schools last year were $160,800.31, this year they amounted to $166,221.65, showing an increase of about $6,000.00 from these sources. Our receipts from individuals, however, show a marked decrease. We had expected to enter several new fields this year but unless our deficit is raised immediately we shall be under the necessity of abandoning any contemplated advance.

CALLED TO HIGHER SERVICE

Only one of our missionaries has been called home this year, but in the home-going of Lorilla E. Bushnell our Society and work among the colored people have sustained a great loss. Miss Bushnell had for many years been actively identified with our denominational work and in 1911 was appointed to take charge of the Fireside School Department of our Society at Nashville. Although having had no previous experience in work among the colored people, she proved to be eminently fitted for this important service, and the work developed most successfully under her leadership. The Negro race found in her a true and cordial friend, and gave her deepest respect and abiding devotion. She was taken in the midst of the fullness of

a busy life, but she met death with the same cheerful, buoyant spirit that characterized her daily intercourse with her friends and fellow workers.

From her girlhood Mrs. William H. Hinds, of Providence, Rhode Island, was actively identified with many lines of Christian service and in 1889 became officially connected with the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society. From 1890 until the time of the consolidation of the two Women's Home Mission Societies, she served as Vice-President for Rhode Island and was a valued member of the Board of the Eastern Society, being active and helpful in the plans for consolidation. Mrs. Hinds was a loyal friend and her counsel was sought in all matters of importance relating to the welfare of our Society. She will be greatly missed by the many who knew her worth and appreciated her many virtues.

Miss Frances J. Huntley, after a long and useful life, has been called to her reward. The later years of her life were spent in Rochester, N. Y. While physically she was a "shut-in," mentally and spiritually she had a world-wide vision, and from the quiet of her home studied the needs of the world and gave most generously to many and varied interests. Many missionary lives have been brightened, and the work of many mission fields strengthened because of her sympathetic interest. Our Society has lost a sincere friend and will miss her interest, her prayers and her most generous gifts.

The beautiful "In Memoriam" of the life and work of Mrs. J. S. Murrow, which has come to us, gives a brief glimpse of her devotion and service as a wife and missionary. As Kate Ellert she was a student in our Training School and after graduation in 1882 was appointed as missionary-teacher in the Baptist Indian University, located at Tahlequah, afterward moved to Bacone. In 1888, after her marriage to Rev. J. S. Murrow, she was made general missionary for Indian Territory, serving efficiently for seventeen years. Out in the desolate places, into the by-ways and Godless new towns, among the Blanket Indians, in summer heat and winter's cold, she went forth telling the old, old story. She severed her connection with the Society in 1904, but her interest and service for her

chosen people, the Indians, continued until the end. During all the years her life was a benediction to the entire community.

MISSIONARY FIELDS

INDIAN.— The work on our Indian fields has progressed along usual lines. At Saddle Mountain, Lucius Aitsan, our Indian pastor, has served the church and people faithfully, with the assistance of the two missionaries. The missionaries have spent much time in visiting and have gone once a month to the school at Rainy Mountain to give Bible instruction. There have been some conversions during the year and a Sunday School has been organized for the young people. At the First Mesa Miss Rayner has been transferred to another field and Miss Mary Moody is now associated with Miss Johnson. Here also the reports tell of the good work being done in the Sunday School and of the enjoyment of the children in the class work. A new missionary, Miss Elsie Michel, has been stationed at Keam's Canon to assist Mr. Thayer. Having had some experience in work among the Indians and some knowledge of the language, she is proving valuable on that field. Our two missionaries at the Second Mesa continue to teach the Gospel message, finding some who listen but many who will not heed the teaching. The heathen are still bitterly opposed to the Gospel. At Stewart, in connection with the Carson Indian School, Miss Corwin has great opportunities to reach the boys and the girls and her home is proving a center of Christian influence.

At Reno the Indians come into town and, alas, in contact with all that is evil and degrading, and our missionary, Miss Glick, must be very versatile to attract them to the mission where the seed is sown with a prayer that the Master will care for the harvest.

An associate has been sent to be with Miss Brown at Fallon, and together they are planning for a larger ministry. Some improvements have been necessary and a considerable amount has been appropriated to secure a good water supply with proper equipment.

At Auberry the same splendid spirit of devotion has per-

meated the work as has been shown throughout the short history of this field. Lives have been changed and characters are being moulded after the perfect pattern, even though progress seems slow. Because of ill health Miss Schofield, who started this work, expects to retire from active service in a few weeks. A very promising field at Dunlap is calling for a missionary. We had hoped to send one this fall but the deficit may make this impossible.

Among the Crows we have added another worker at Pryor and the two missionaries there find themselves taxed to respond to the needs of this field. The priests are doing their uttermost to keep their hold on the people and prevent them from attending the mission. On all of our Indian fields our missionaries are called upon to render many forms of service, and to be successful one needs to be a specialist along many lines.

NEGROES.— While more and more increasing emphasis is being placed on the education of the Negro race, both intellectual and industrial, there is yet a large field, in fact, an unlimited field, for missionary work in the church, and in the homes, among the women and children. In addition to the intensive field work, such as is being done in Birmingham by Miss Knapp and Miss Boorman, in Chattanooga by Mrs. Bishop, in James City by our veteran workers, Miss Waugh and Miss Williams, in Vicksburg by Miss Richardson and Miss Varian and in many other localities by others, there are two forms of work among the Negroes of peculiar interest. Our Fireside School work, with headquarters at Nashville, publishing the paper HOPE, which reaches many thousands of homes, places its emphasis on the reading and study of the Bible in the homes, the importance of good reading and of right living. This department of our work experienced a great loss this year in the home-going of its superintendent, Miss Lorilla Bushnell, who had been most efficient in reorganizing and developing it. Her associate, Miss Eaton, carried the work alone until in February, when Miss Ada Morgan was sent to fill the vacancy. Through a generous gift and loan from Miss Eaton, a permanent headquarters has been purchased. The new building is centrally located and will facilitate the conduct of the work.

Settlement work is another form of missionary service which is proving most effective and its success is demonstrating the great possibilities of such service. In Brooklyn, N. Y., in co-operation with the Long Island Branch, with Rev. James Franklin and wife as resident missionaries, our Hudson Avenue Settlement House is proving a center of helpfulness and Christian influence in a most neglected neighborhood. In Washington, D. C., we have been represented in "The Center" by workers who through the kindergarten, clubs and classes for boys and girls, a reading room and many other activities have ministered socially and spiritually to a large and needy community. While it is true that the Negro race is making progress, it is evident that our sympathetic interest and assistance will be needed for some time.

FOREIGN POPULATIONS.— In the midst of the year at the outbreak of the war in Europe, the tide of immigration to our country greatly diminished, though it has not ceased altogether. However, at Ellis Island a large number of people were detained and had to be cared for during the long weary months of waiting, many being sick and nearly all destitute of clothing and needing material aid. Since the appointment of the new commissioner, who welcomes helpful suggestions, there have been many changes for the betterment of conditions at Ellis Island. Very few immigrants have arrived at the Boston port and our missionary has given most of her time to field work.

Among the older foreign groups — Germans and Scandinavians — steady progress is reported. In the larger cities neighborhoods are changing and many of these churches find themselves surrounded by the new immigrant races to which they must minister. Thus a German missionary is often assisting in a Hungarian or Polish Mission.

Our missionaries among the Poles in Milwaukee are greatly encouraged because of the new building being erected, which will make their work more effective. Much of our work among foreigners is handicapped because of the lack of suitable buildings and proper equipment. It is discouraging to send our well-trained missionaries and not be able to give them the necessary tools and housing for their work.

In addition to our work among the Russians in Los Angeles, our missionary among the Italians in Pittsburgh reports the organization of a Russian Sunday School and a successful industrial school. From the Italian fields come the most insistent appeals for more missionaries, as in so many centers conditions seem most favorable for a new or an enlarged work among these people. A graduate of our Training School of last June, a Russian Jewess, was appointed to work among her people in Cleveland and, as is usual in such work, she reports it necessary to win the confidence of the people before she can give the Gospel message.

The reports from the missionaries among foreign peoples show results along many lines. First and of greatest importance are the conversions and we rejoice that many have accepted Christ as a personal Saviour. There is also an increasing interest in Bible Study. One missionary writes: "The greatest need is the 'living Christ.' The people worship a crucified Christ, but know nothing of a 'Risen Lord.' "

SPANISH-SPEAKING.— When the conditions in Mexico became so serious our two American missionaries were withdrawn, but the Mexican missionaries have held the work as best they could under most trying conditions. Miss Salas, who has spent some time in Texas, has returned to Aguas Calientes, but when the readjustment of territory between the Northern and Southern Baptists is made, she will be transferred to Mexico City.

In Cuba, the larger emphasis being placed on education and the need of missionary teachers, is tending to diminish the number of missionaries in the Island. Miss Anna Barkley, who opened up our work in Cuba, finds the strain of the work and the climatic conditions make it impossible for her to continue her work in Santiago. Miss Barkley has rendered valuable service in that she has started the work in many of the stations in Cuba and has been most helpful in developing the native workers.

In Porto Rico, Miss Adell Martin, after an absence of several months for a much needed rest, has returned to Caguas and the work there is prospering under her leadership. Cayey has been added to her field and the work in the Sunday School and among the women is advancing rapidly. Because of the

continued illness of Miss Dresser, Miss Lake has been left alone at Ponce and thus has carried an unusual burden during the past months. The Sunday School work has been greatly benefited by the new addition to the church building. We hope to send an associate for Miss Lake until it is possible for Miss Dresser to return to Porto Rico. At San Juan and suburbs, our missionaries have been busy ministering to several needy communities and mastering the language. To render the right kind of service at Rio Piedras to our Baptist girls and other students in the Government Normal School, it is essential that a suitable building be provided, to be used as a hostel or dormitory for the women students and a center for girls' clubs and religious meetings. It would take from twelve to fifteen thousand dollars to build and equip such a building which would afford our denomination an opportunity to reach the young women who come from all parts of the Island for higher education and normal training. Our four missionaries among the Mexicans in Southern California are busy ministering to the increasing numbers on their fields and are gladdened by seeing their work progress.

ORIENTALS.—Though we have only a few mission stations among the Orientals, yet the devotion of the missionaries to their people is limitless. The Oriental mind is slow in accepting the truth, and the women and girls are won only by long and careful teaching. How great the rejoicing in the heart of the worker when she can write, as one did recently, that two or three were to be baptized.

MILL AND MINING.— One of the centers of the great strike among the miners in Colorado has been Walsenburg, where the Misses Matthews are stationed. They have had access to the camps and have been ready to aid in alleviating the distress and sorrow in the homes. Through the kindness of friends the gift of a horse and buggy is assisting them greatly in their visits to the scattered groups of miners.

In Northern Wyoming Miss Rayner's work takes her into three of the mining camps where she finds the grown people indifferent, also that their superstition prevents the children from attending the meetings. At Oak Hill, West Virginia, quite

a number have united with the church as a result of special revival meetings.

GENERAL AND CITY MISSION FIELDS.— It is not easy always to distinguish between our City Mission work and the work among foreigners since most City Mission work touches more than one nationality.

In many of our larger cities the activities are along the lines of institutional church and Christian settlement work. Because of the financial depression throughout the country, much of the time of the city missionaries has been given to relief work. At an urgent request from San Francisco, because of needs of our denomination during the Exposition, two experienced missionaries were sent to that field for one year,—one to serve in connection with the First, the other with the Hamilton Square Church. They report loyal and faithful church members but great lack of spirituality in the community.

Our number of general missionaries is gradually increasing and a very effective and much needed service is being rendered by them. In five states these young women go from one needy field to another, many of them pastorless and holding no public services. Beginning with nothing but a few scattered members and a building frequently dirty and out of repair from disuse, they visit in the community, open the church for services, gather the children into Sunday School, persuade Christians to find their church letters, organize different church activities, and after being on the field some time, stimulate the church to call a pastor, then move on to another field and begin all over again. Is not this heroic service? Two great hindrances in this work are the disregard for the Sabbath and the failure of Christians to identify themselves with the church work.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

INDIANS.— Our educational work among the Indians is limited in scope and in the number of teachers engaged in it, but fine in the service rendered. Among the Crows, at Lodge Grass and Wyola, we have teachers and matrons, the former in charge of the class-room work, the latter teaching sewing, cooking, home-making and visiting in the homes,— thus the neces-

sity of sending the young children to the government boarding schools is averted. From Lodge Grass, Miss Wafflard writes that six of her boys have accepted Christ. At Bacone, in the Murrow Orphanage, the teachers and matrons report that the crowded conditions give them more pupils than can be cared for properly. The young children require much individual attention and great patience is required in going over the work again and again because of the slowness of the pupils.

In Bacone University the matrons write of the noticeable improvement in the conduct of the pupils and their desire to stand well in their studies.

NEGROES.— From all the schools for Negroes comes the report of smaller numbers and great financial difficulties because of the inability to sell the cotton. In many cases loans have been made to the pupils that they may remain, but many have been able to continue only part of the year. Spelman Seminary continues its fine classroom work and industrial training, the Normal Training Department being well adapted to send forth well-equipped teachers. The past year one of the graduates has been supervisor in the country schools and her work has been so helpful that a second teacher is to be appointed this fall. From Shaw University, Benedict College and Florida Baptist Academy the matrons report increasing interest in the Domestic Science courses and in all lines of industrial training. At Benedict a millinery department has been added and the new well-equipped hospital, though not large, will meet a long-felt want in cases of illness in the school. At Mather, not only the school and students have received the careful attention of the faculty but the surrounding community has been helpfully ministered to. From many of our schools come the report of a deepening of the Christian life and a spiritual awakening among the students. There have been many appeals from new schools for support of teachers or financial assistance, but it has been necessary to refuse these requests in adherence to our policy to strengthen our present educational work before entering new schools.

SPANISH-SPEAKING.— Although the political situation in Mexico has not improved during the year and at present there seems little prospect of a permanent settlement of dissensions,

yet our schools have continued in the midst of the disturbances with little interruption. At the Puebla school alone have we American teachers, but they have suffered no great inconvenience and have heroically remained rather than close the work.

The report from Mexico City states that the school opened auspiciouly after the mid-year vacation and speaks of the good services of the teachers. In Monterey there have been several brief interruptions, twice because of the war and the nearness of the fighting, and once because of an epidemic of small-pox. There is great poverty among the people and a smaller registration from lack of proper food and clothing. A good spirit prevails among the teachers and some minor improvements have been made for the better conduct of the school. Faculty meetings are held and the teachers visit in the homes of the pupils to interest the parents in their progress.

In the report from the El Cristo school in Cuba, an item of special importance is the affiliation with the Institute of Santiago which confers the degree of A.B. Among our primary schools in Cuba, the report from Santiago shows not quite as large a school but a marked improvement in the pupils. Most of the children attend Sunday School. Our school has a good standing as the only American school and, with the exception of one small school, the only evangelical school in the whole city.

Several of our other primary schools report a number of conversions.

ORIENTAL.— The Chinese school in San Francisco reports a successful school year. The school has four American teachers, two Chinese assistants, with Miss Ames as visitor in the homes and substitute in the school in case of emergency. Miss Johnson, who is in charge of the work, is an earnest soul winner, and through her faithful instruction in Bible truths and much earnest prayer, a number have been won to Christ this year.

The teachers in the primary schools in Oakland and Portland are sowing the seed of the Gospel in the hearts of their little charges, with the hope that it will take root and later bear much fruit.

By order of the Board of Managers.

KATHERINE S. WESTFALL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

April, 1915.

REPORT OF BAPTIST MISSIONARY TRAINING SCHOOL

DR. W. P. BEHAN, President

The present report covers the work of the Training School since October 1, 1914, the date at which I began my services as President of the school.

Since the opening of the school year, sixty-nine students have been registered, and all but three of these have roomed in the building. Of this number, twenty-three are seniors, thirty-five juniors, and eleven specials. Four of the latter will graduate, which makes the total number in the graduating class for 1915 twenty-seven.

During the year there have been two teachers in residence, besides the President — Misses Sedgwick and Barnett, who have rendered most willing and efficient service, under conditions harder than usual. Miss Bolles, one of our students, a former missionary in Mexico, has also rendered instructional service, giving Spanish to some dozen of the students. Among the other regular instructors not living in the building, but who have come for special work have been Prof. J. W. Moncrief, of the University of Chicago; F. L. Anderson, General Secretary of the Baptist Executive Council of Chicago; Miss Mary A. Blood, President of the Columbia College of Oratory; Mrs. Mary S. Vernon, Columbia School of Music; Mrs. W. B. Thorp, Miss Birdine Stanley, Miss Lillis L. Knappenberger, Mrs. E. M. Mathes, Mrs. H. E. Slaught, Mrs. Ermin Graham, John W. Burdette, E. O. Sellers, Dr. H. W. Cheney, Dr. Franklin S. Cheney, Dr. C. J. Kurtz, Dr. Sara Jansen, Dr. Hugh McKechnie. All of these have given the school faithful and efficient service. In addition there have been special lecturers upon various educational, missionary and religious subjects, numbering over forty-five.

The effort was made this year to eliminate one hour courses and to increase the number of hours given per week in the different subjects. This has successfully worked out in courses in sociology, religious education and pedagogy, and the plan will be continued next year, and extended into other fields.

The student body has been earnest, keen and devoted to

its work. A larger percentage of high school and college graduates has entered this year than ever before, and the indications are that next year there will be even a greater advance, although a great increase in numbers is not expected, owing to the combination of the financial depression, the raising of entrance requirements, and the lengthening of the courses from two to three years.

As usual the students have been especially efficient in their field work. Words of great appreciation are continually being received from pastors and others who have availed themselves of the services which our students can render. Over twenty-three Baptist churches have been served during the past year. Eight different industrial and missionary schools have been entirely managed by them. Nine different nationalities, in addition to the English, have been enrolled in the industrial classes, which number over fifty, with a total enrollment of over 300.

The school has been the recipient of many splendid gifts during the year, among them a beautiful victrola, an electrically equipped stereopticon, furniture, pictures and table lamp for use in the students' quarters, a fine engraving of Adoniram Judson, the loan of a complete set of University of Chicago Press Sunday School publications, and a gift of $50 for adding new and needed books to the library. Early in the winter a publicity campaign was carefully mapped out by a committee of the Board, which has resulted in the eager co-operation of a number of pastors in Chicago and vicinity and the presentation of the work of the school by students, members of the Board, teachers and the President. Groups of students have been very helpful and effective in this work, having filled as many as twenty different appointments through the winter.

Your President was graciously released from the instructional duties in order to become more readily familiar with the work of administration, to attend certain conventions and gatherings, and to make a careful survey of the Training School field.

The decision of the Board to extend the course of study to three years and to raise the standards of the work compelled a careful investigation of the entire field through personal

visitation, correspondence and conferences with the alumnæ, educators, ministers, missionaries, missionary officials, and representatives of other schools, one result of which is the present catalogue outlining the new plans for the educational work of the school with the three definite vocational courses, organized in the undergraduate and graduate schools. These courses will go into effect with the entering class this fall. Special attention is called to the plans which have been made to inaugurate and correlate normal practice work, which we believe will enable the Training School to render an even larger training along the line of practical activities in which the school for so many years has excelled. It is our conviction that the courses of study as outlined — the result not of the theorizing of one person alone, but of the practical experience and suggestion of many qualified to pronounce upon such matters—are such as to merit the enthusiastic endorsement of all Training School friends and the earnest consideration of all prospective students.

No less of importance to the welfare of the school has been one other problem which has received the earnest and painstaking attention of your President,— that of securing a Dean of Women. This was one of the first matters to which I gave myself upon entrance to the school. Convinced of the great need which the school had for such a woman, I believe that in such relationship as the Dean would sustain, too much care and thought cannot be put forth in securing the right one. We have found the woman, and we hope to give publicity before many days to an announcement which, we believe, will gladden the hearts of those interested in the school. In this connection the helpful co-operation of Misses Barnett, Sedgwick and Whitcomb, who have done their utmost to supply this lack, in addition to carrying their own heavy work, should receive grateful recognition. After several years of most faithful service as Matron, Miss Ada Morgan recently left the Training School to become superintendent of the Fireside Schools at Nashville, Tennessee. Miss Whitcomb, one of the assistants in Mrs. Marshall's office, very willingly consented to serve as temporary housekeeper, and has filled a new and hard position faithfully

and untiringly. She leaves the school with the gratitude of all for the conscientious and helpful service she has rendered.

A careful study of other institutions similar to ours, together with the opportunity which our school has for making a much larger use of the Domestic Science training in our courses, especially in institutional cooking, management, etc., and the demand that the house be managed in the most businesslike and economical methods, have lead our board to appoint to the position of housekeeper, her services to begin on May 15th, a professionally trained Domestic Science expert, Mrs. Evelyn Libbey, who is a graduate of the Boston School of Domestic Science, and has served as Matron in the American School for the Deaf at Hartford, Connecticut, and also at the Northwestern University, at Evanston, Illinois.

We are glad to announce that Mrs. Libbey will give some of the instruction in cooking, and will definitely correlate the student work in the building; i. e., rooms, halls, dining-room and kitchen service, with the regular classwork in the Domestic Science department.

Arrangements have also been made whereby the instruction offered in piano music will be given by Miss Faye Krotz, a graduate of the American Conservatory of Music, who comes to the school giving part of her time to the instruction in music and the rest to the regular work of the school as a student.

Before fall an additional instructor will be added to the resident faculty in Church History and Missions. This will furnish us a strong and capable force of resident teachers.

During the year three social affairs worthy of mention because of the interest they met with took place in the school,—the annual reception in September, attended by over five hundred, four hundred and fifty sitting down to the table for supper, the luncheon and program attended by the Baptist ministers and their wives, and the annual meeting of the Baptist Young Woman's Mission Union.

During the winter term there was inaugurated a series of musical evenings, which it is planned to continue regularly once every two or three months, at which a program of the best music, instrumental and vocal, will be given by outside talent,

the young ladies of the school being given the privilege of inviting two or three guests each, and after which light refreshments will be served, and a social time enjoyed.

The opportunities for missionary work in the neighborhood of the school are rapidly increasing. The time is soon coming when our girls will find a greatly needed clinic in the homes and apartments within a radius of one-half a mile from the school. The community survey made this winter has presented a great need for work to be done by the school which would in no way overlap that undertaken by the churches, and that would fill a need which they (the churches) are unable to meet. Plans are being made whereby another year the school building will be used for community work of various kinds, and which will also be correlated with the usual work of the school.

The growing demand for information regarding the school has lead to the publication of five new leaflets upon various aspects of the school work — Making Life Worth While, Training for Efficiency, The Practical Life of the Training School, How it Happened, and The Gist of It.

We are all looking forward to the next year as a year of added usefulness and real advance in the work of preparing young women for missionary service.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT SECRETARIES

NEW ENGLAND

MISS MAY HUSTON.— Another busy year has slipped away and it is hard to realize that the books are closed, reports are due, and that already a clean page is before us ready for new plans as well as renewed hopes and purposes. We began the year with the feeling that we must "lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes," and we rejoice in some evidences that this has been done. Nearly every state in the district reports new auxiliaries. One Association has four and the reports coming to my desk indicate that our directors have done the best work they have ever done. We cannot overestimate the value of the wise, capable and faithful leadership of these officers. Comparatively few resignations have come in during the year

and most of the vacancies have been filled promptly. Four of our state directors have experienced great sorrow but every one of them has gone bravely on with her duties, realizing what a blessing work is at such a time.

In connection with the Mid-winter Rally of the New England Branch, a state directors' conference was held. The work was thoroughly discussed, and later, wherever distances permitted, the state directors met associational workers, who in turn called together society presidents, thus carrying the plans into the smaller units of our organization.

Our young woman's work is especially hopeful. We are proud of the start Camp Sacagawea has made. Beginning two years ago with six girls the number increased last year to eighteen, and under the leadership of Miss Frances MacDuffee, our charming camp secretary, we confidently expect steady advance. The Home Mission Conference at Northfield had no girls' camp until we started ours. This year other denominations are planning to start them.

For several years Miss Nichols has had excellent rallies in Providence in her young woman's work, and last year one was held in Boston. This year a number of successful rallies have been held outside of Boston and one in each of the four Boston associations, the attendance of the latter ranging from 150 to 225 girls. Miss Isabel Crawford, who was our principal speaker at this series of rallies, surprised us all by saying at the last meeting, "In all my eight years of traveling all over this country, I have never seen such girls' rallies as these." We have been most fortunate in having secured some exceptionally fine young women in the directorships and already we are beginning to see results.

In addition to Miss Crawford, who gave us splendid service in January, we have had from outside the district two speakers, each for a brief time. Our president, Mrs. Lester, was in New England during the State Convention period and was given a warm welcome everywhere she went. Miss Minnie Schulman visited the Vermont associations, where her story was heard with great interest. Within the district Mrs. A. B. Upham has given freely of time and strength, taking, in addition to frequent dates

in the vicinity of Boston, the Maine associations, where she rendered most valuable services. Mrs. Pinkham has assisted with a stereoptican lecture on Spelman Seminary. Missionaries and directors have also helped with the speaking. Our representation in associations was larger than ever before and I was sometimes at my wits' end for speakers. In some instances we had to supply speakers for ten meetings on the same day.

We have not met our apportionments, but in view of industrial conditions in the East, the failure of our railroads to pay dividends and the large number out of work, we can but feel grateful that the response has been as good as it is. We have not raised as much as the past two years in personal gifts but organizations have done better than last year. While we received scarcely any contributions from the Thanksgiving concert, our Alaskan fund has increased, 436 Sunday Schools having sent contributions this year as against 358 last year. From all sources there has been sent through our office over $50,000, not counting two annuities of $5,000 each.

Only one new station has been opened in our district, Miss Ruth Chamberlin having been added to our workers among Italians and located at Waterbury, Conn. We are hoping that a missionary may be placed among the Syrians in Boston and that one may be found for Providence. In our cities we have whole sections of foreigners, sometimes 10,000 in a group. We need more workers and better equipment if we are to win these multitudes for Christ.

MIDDLE STATES

MRS. REUBEN MAPELSDEN.— With the passing of March 31, 1914, we again bent our energy to the problem that compels our attention for eleven months of every year; namely, the perfecting of the organization in the states of the Middle District.

Perfecting the organization means far more than those words imply to the uninitiated. It is not a matter of machinery alone, although machinery is necessary to produce the results we are after, and sometimes careful attention has had to be given to the adjustment of the various parts that go to make up state organization. It is rather a matter of consulting our

experienced state leaders as to new methods, new conditions, the better equipment of their associations and the publicity, educational and social features of their work. It is a matter of finding capable leaders, presenting to them the needs and opportunities of work, carefully instructing the inexperienced, giving attention, encouragement and help until their work is well in hand. It is a matter of informing one's self of the religious, social and economic conditions of each state, meeting the pastors and laymen who are likewise interested in these conditions, seeing how we can get together as men and women and work out the most efficient policy for the whole church. It is a matter of getting in touch with the young women who assemble at the summer conferences for the purpose of inspiring them to consecrate their lives to some department of religious work. It is also a matter of enlarging our constituency by means of interesting the vast number of uninterested women whose names are on our church book but who are not in any way interested in our mission work.

This work of trying to perfect our organization has kept your Secretary on the field more than seven months of the past year. Some time has been spent in each state. Conferences have been held with the state directors, with presidents, vice-presidents and association directors, and with men and women in many of the large cities and towns visited. But your Secretary has not worked alone. A host of devoted, prayerful, capable women have had a part in the business of "bringing tomorrow." We have found them in every state.

We have also been ably assisted by our general workers, Mrs. S. C. Fulmer, who has spent the year in Illinois and Indiana, and Miss Harriet P. Cooper, who has devoted most of her time to Ohio and West Virginia. Miss Cooper, who goes to a western state this coming year, will be sadly missed in our district. We believe, however, her work will live through the women, especially the young women, she has led to consecrate their lives and talents to the cause of "winning the world for Christ."

A number of our missionaries attended the various association meetings. Their direct messages from the field are always listened to with delight—always result in increased interest in their work.

Miss Isabel Crawford, during the five months of her stay in our District, led a strenuous life. Always in demand as a speaker she has delighted numerous audiences of young women and older men and women with her story of her life among the Indians. She has inspired many to study "In Red Man's Land," to read her own book "Kiowa," and to contribute to the Indian Department of our work.

We count ourselves most fortunate in having had the very valuable help of Mrs. A. E. Reynolds in our District since the fall. Mrs. Reynolds has for years held important positions under our Society. She is thoroughly familiar with every department of it. Her wide experience has made her most helpful in conferences. Her exceptional ability as a speaker has opened doors of opportunity in many directions. Pastors and laymen, women young and old, have been persuaded, convinced and inspired by her message.

Several members of our Board, Mrs. S. T. Ford, Mrs. F. J. Miller, Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson, Mrs. J. H. Chapman, and our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Katherine S. Westfall, have been welcome speakers at state conferences and annual meetings. Our constituency are always eager to hear the women who conduct our Society affairs at headquarters.

Your Secretary attended the Northern Baptist Convention and Students' Conference at Eaglesmere, many associational meetings, two state conventions and three state apportionment committees. While it has been part of the work of your Secretary to make arrangements through her state directors for all these speakers and missionaries mentioned, she has spoken herself at many church services, Sunday Schools and society meetings, and has looked after a large correspondence.

Mrs. Minnie Moody, of Madison, deemed it best to transfer her services to another department of our woman's mission work, hence her resignation was accepted as State Director of Wisconsin. Mrs. Jennie L. Pettigrew, of Oshkosh, was appointed in her place. Mrs. Pettigrew is familiar with the work of our Society and is fast becoming acquainted with Wisconsin conditions.

It was with regret that the resignation of Mrs. John E.

Moring was accepted as State Director of Indiana. Mrs. J. F. Fraser, the very capable wife of the pastor of the First Church of Muncie, consented to serve in Mrs. Moring's place. Mrs. Fraser was warmly welcomed by the officers of the State Board of Indiana as an official member.

Mrs. W. L. Pettingill, of Wilmington, Delaware, who came to our assistance several years ago when our Home Mission work was without a leader in the state, serving as director for both the Home and Foreign Mission Societies early in the year, asked to be released as our representative. We wish to acknowledge the excellent pioneer work done by this broad-minded pastor's wife. Mrs. J. Merrick Horn, of Wilmington, was led to accept the position of State Director of Delaware. Mrs. Horn has already won the affection and co-operation of many of the Delaware Baptists.

We are glad to report that at the Baptist Workers' Training Institute held in Cincinnati in February, under the direction of the Educational Secretary of the American Baptist Publication Society, the Woman's Mission Work, for the first time, was included in their program. Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson of Chicago represented both Boards, giving four addresses on the subject of Missions.

During my travels I have had the joy of visiting many of our mission stations. The zeal, devotion and patience of our missionaries have been an inspiration to me. Our workers believe that "the Kingdom of God comes by coming to the individual." How true it is "If every one would mend one we should have a new world."

MIDDLE WEST

MISS INA SHAW.— The past year has been an exceedingly busy one. Much effort has been put forth along the lines of efficiency. Prayer has been especially accented and prayer groups have been formed in different parts of the district which have resulted in great spiritual growth and rich blessings on the work of our missionaries in the Middle West.

Gratifying progress has been made in the number of churches paying apportionments quarterly, the number of churches giving

missionary instruction in the Sunday School and in the decrease of the number of non-contributing churches. The young woman's work has grown in popularity due to the untiring efforts of our splendid Young Woman's Directors. Never have the Associational Directors of this District been as uniformly efficient as they are to-day.

We have lost the valuable services of four of our State Directors the past year. Mrs. J. S. Schroeder of South Dakota, after two years of service, must lay down the work on account of ill health. Mrs. C. G. West, after years of most efficient effort, has been compelled to give up the work because of illness. Mrs. W. A. Benson of Colorado has laid down the work which she so faithfully carried for two years. We are also crippled by the resignation of Mrs. R. G. Davidson of Nebraska under whose efficient direction the state has made unprecedented advancement. We feel that God has given us two excellent women in Mrs. G. W. Cassidy of Wichita and Mrs. W. G. Swart of Denver, to fill the Kansas and Colorado vacancies. He will surely direct us to the right women for the other two states.

One new mission field has been opened this year, that of Valley City, North Dakota, where Miss Kvamme is working among her own Norwegian people. Miss Esther Christenson is getting a strong hold on the work among the Bohemians in South Omaha. Miss Amelia Scott has been transferred from Kansas City to St. Louis. Miss Inez Kinney of Scott's Bluff, Nebraska, has left our work and gone into a home of her own. Miss Anna Pederson, so long at Council Bluffs among the Danes, is at present taking special work at the Training School.

Miss Dora Larson has been compelled to give up the work in Kansas City which has grown so rapidly the past months under her care. The field will greatly miss the faithful efforts of this consecrated missionary. May God send us another strong worker in her place.

The most inspiring part of my work is the time spent on the fields, visiting in the homes, the Industrial Schools, the Sunday Schools, and cheering and counseling our consecrated young women who are giving their lives that souls might be saved for the Kingdom.

Beside attending the Boulder School of Missions, which is becoming such a vital force in our work in Colorado, I was our Society's representative at the Missionary Education Conference at Estes Park. In addition to speaking at Baptist quarterlies I have spoken at several interdenominational federation meetings and assisted at B. Y. P. U. Rallies. Appointments have been made in eight of my nine states and our work was presented at the State Conventions of Nebraska, Minnesota, North Dakota and Missouri. The association period was spent in Iowa.

Mrs. Newell, Mrs. Stewart, and Miss Anderson have continued their effective work throughout the year. We are also indebted to Miss Adell Martin, Miss Anna Sturmer, and Miss Marie Norgaard for special inspiration during the associational period.

We feel that our District was especially fortunate in having the presence of our Corresponding Secretary at four of the State Conventions. Mrs. Westfall's visit was an inspiration and brought the women into closer touch with our national officers.

As women of the Middle West District we are looking forward to the new year with eagerness and enthusiasm and depending upon God to bless our efforts with large results for the upbuilding of the Kingdom.

THE PACIFIC COAST

MISS CARRIE O. MILLSPAUGH.— My seventeenth annual report would be of some interest, I am sure, if it could summarize all the experiences of the year: the writing of letters, about four thousand; the giving of information in addresses, usually several addresses a week; the meetings with Committees and holding of conferences; the teaching of Bible Classes, in which always a missionary application is somewhere made in the lesson; the talks to Sunday Schools; the meetings with Mission Societies and Mission Bands; the attendance at conventions and associations, some of them lasting for days; the planning of programs and giving of suggestions; the interviews with possible helpers in the cause; the raising of apportionments and the appeals for special offerings — these and a thousand and one other things which fill a worker's days.

The most satisfactory experiences from a personal standpoint have been the opportunities to direct lost souls to Christ. Quite a large number of boys and girls and some young people have professed to accept Him when earnest appeals have been made. I have no doubt that many others who were led to think earnestly of these things will some day confess Christ publicly.

So the year has been good. I hope yet better to serve.

WORKER AMONG YOUNG WOMEN

MISS HELEN CRISSMAN.—"I have planted, Apollo's watered, but God gave the increase." Eight happy months have passed since I took up the work among young women, and the above words of Paul to the Corinthians express what my work has been. Here and there the seed has been sown, the call has been given to a deeper consecration, expressed in a life of service.

I have traveled through the states of New York, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois visiting associations, churches, normal schools and colleges. There has been joy and satisfaction in it all because of the unusual kindness of people everywhere, and because I have found that for which I sought — a desire in the hearts of our Christian girls to live a life "worth while," to fill the gap between the real and the ideal by the new and vitalizing, transforming and compelling power of Jesus Christ.

A number of new societies have been organized and disbanded societies reorganized, and all this to the one great end that every young woman may have a more comprehensive knowledge of the world-wide work of Christ; that she may see the need, answer the call, and give herself to training for more efficient service in the bringing in of His Kingdom.

REPORTS FROM GENERAL AND STATE WORKERS

MRS. S. C. FULMER.— The second year of service for our Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society has been a delight and an inspiration. Most of the year has been spent in Illinois, visiting churches, speaking in mission societies, Sunday

Schools, Young People's Societies, and at the church services, telling of the work carried on by our Society, trying to enlist more of our Baptist women to have a share in the great work, making them feel, as the little boy said when asked why he was going to the missionary meeting, "Why, I'm a part of the concern!" Besides visiting churches I have attended a number of Missionary Conferences in Indiana and semi-annual meetings in Illinois, organized a Missionary Social Union in Litchfield, Illinois, of all the denominations. It has been my plan to distribute our literature freely. I have also sold a number of missionary books and taken subscriptions for our magazine, Missions, realizing that, as our women read and pray, the means will come to spread the glad news of salvation.

In the Associations attended last fall six carried out the "Efficiency Program," the results of which, I am sure, will be a stimulus to greater interest and giving.

The Indiana Baptist Assembly held in Franklin the last week in July, 1914, was attended by about 180 young people from all parts of the state. A Mission Study class, as well as classes in Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. methods, was a prominent feature of the Assembly. This year we are to have Mrs. D. B. Wells conduct a Mission Study class teaching both the Home and Foreign Mission study books. We are hoping a large number of our Baptist women in Indiana will attend, thus increasing their information and interest in missionary work.

It was my privilege to attend the Northern Baptist Convention held in Boston last June and it was a wonderful help and inspiration to be numbered with the great Baptist host. I also visited our mission work in New York City and spent a day at Ellis Island where the "Comrades from other Lands" enter our beloved country. I am so glad our Society has some one there to give these strangers a Christian welcome.

The life given in service of the Master means loving service for others.

"Others, Lord, yes others,
Let this my motto be,
Help me to live for others
That I may live like Thee."

MISS EMMA E. ANDERSON.— During the past year I have been permitted to spend some time in each one of the states covering my district. The greater part of the summer and fall was spent in the Dakotas, and the winter and spring, so far as we have come, in Minnesota. We have visited ninety-eight churches, of which fifty-five were Scandinavian, one Russian and the rest English-speaking. I have delivered 190 addresses to church congregations, Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U. Societies, Women's and Young Women's Societies, Light Bearers and Baby Bands. I have addressed seven Scandinavian associations, one English-speaking and the South Dakota State Convention. At some of these associations we were invited to speak twice, and three times at the State Convention. Some of the associations were largely attended, and much enthusiasm was manifested. I am glad to report progress all along the line. The response from the Scandinavian churches has been the "best ever" this last year in actual interest in mission study and giving to women's work. Many churches have exceeded their apportionments and new ones have been added to the list of givers.

I have secured 64 subscriptions for MISSIONS during the year.

One wintry Sunday morning, when the snow was so deep that the horses were almost buried in it taking us to the little country church, we had a congregation of nine men and three women, myself included, as it was too stormy for the women to come any distance, and although the church had met its apportionment, these men made up a purse of $10.00 as a special gift to our Society.

Special interest for Missions has been manifested in the Sunday Schools, and some of the Sunday Schools of the larger churches have made their contributions for the first time to our work. The same can be said of the Young Women's Societies in some of the large Scandinavian churches. I have made special efforts to reach them for our work and have succeeded better than I had hoped to. These are hopeful signs, and by faith in God and in the splendid young women of our churches we look for still better things to come.

As I have received the monthly statements from our treasurer,

it has been most gratifying to notice how many churches have sent in their apportionments that have had no visit from the general worker this year, but have responded to letters which have been written to nearly every church on my field. This has made my correspondence very heavy, but has proved a great help in bringing the money. I have also been able to secure a number of "field shares" from individuals and societies, and quite a number of gifts ranging from one dollar to five dollars.

The last Sunday in February I was invited to spend the day with an English-speaking church that was without a pastor. We had four talks on Missions that day, whereupon the church gave $10 on the "over and above." We got two "field shares" from individuals and one $1.00 gift. We had a lovely day in God's house and, best of all, felt His presence in our midst.

During the month of March I've had a hard but most interesting tour visiting English-speaking churches in two of our Minnesota Associations. I was cordially received and the meetings proved exceedingly helpful to those who attended. One woman said, "I am so glad you did not write and ask if you might come, but that you came right on, for if you had we would have surely written and told you it would not be worth while." Notwithstanding it was the last month of the fiscal year I succeeded in getting something from each church for the work and, what was better still, a promise of co-operation in the future.

I spent a day with each of our missionaries — Miss Tenhaven and Miss Kvamme — who are doing good work on their respective fields. Helpful conferences have also been held with state and associational directors. I am so grateful for Miss Shaw, our District Secretary. She is such an inspiration and help in our work.

The Workers' Conference at headquarters in Chicago was splendid, and I, personally, feel so grateful to the Board who made such a thing possible.

Furthermore, how shall I express my appreciation to the Lord Jesus Christ for His love and sustaining grace throughout the year? To the band of splendid women at the head of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, who are

not asking of the women throughout the country what they are not willing to do themselves? To the pastors and people in our churches and homes, both young and old, who have contributed to our comfort and happiness, and for the Kingdom at large, and the dear children? For have they not all had a part in taking "God's message to man?"

MRS. L. M. NEWELL.— The year has been filled with the presence and guidance of Him whose promise to His children is, "Lo, I am with you alway." There is the joy in the Master's service, knowing that we can have a small part in carrying forward the great commission of Him who said to those faithful women of old, "Go tell."

The work as carried on by the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, the importance and power of our Training School, have been presented in four different states during the past year — Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado. Over one hundred and seventy churches have been visited, aside from attending associational meetings, assemblies, interdenominational gatherings, Sunday School Institutes, conferences of other nationalities, and conferences with the women of the various churches. Women's Societies and Young Women's Societies have been organized. In a number of churches Young Women's Societies are reported but I learned that filling boxes was all that was done. Programs were arranged for such societies and literature for mission study brought before them.

On several occasions I was snow-bound, hemmed in by blizzards. Two very interesting trips were taken in Colorado; one of eighteen miles across the plains behind a mule team that showed all of the mulish propensities; another down the mountains on a hand-car, some twenty miles, with a mountain storm pouring down on us, and the hand-car refusing to run at times. Colorado with its over fifty different nationalities is certainly a missionary field. Fifteen counties within its border without a Protestant church, in these are found hundreds of neighborhoods with from six to twenty families without any religious privileges. It was my privilege to come in touch with a Christian woman who every Sunday goes over three miles to conduct a Sunday School. This mother lives over seventy miles from the

nearest railroad and over one hundred miles from the Baptist Church of which she is a member. Since she has heard of our Woman's Society she contributes toward its support. One woman came twenty-six miles to attend the Missionary Society of which she is a member. When we meet the noble women who live on these plains we feel so very grateful to the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society who makes it possible for us to come in contact with them and their farewell words are usually, "Why do you not come oftener?"

The fact that the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society maintains four of its missionaries in Colorado is greatly appreciated by those who are interested in the Lord's work. Two of these workers have certainly been on the "firing line" during that terrible strife in the coal camps in the southern part of the state. They were the only Christian workers who remained on the field. And the brightest page written in the history of mission work in Colorado will be that of these two noble women who stood so faithfully by their post regardless of shot and shell.

The conference in December with the Board and Secretaries was a privilege for it was an inspiration as well as a great help to me, and I am ever grateful to the loyal women at headquarters who made it possible for me to attend these meetings.

As I am entering upon a new year I would ever be guided by Him whose promise to His children is, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee."

MISS HARRIET P. COOPER.— A general worker in making out her annual report feels very much like she does in packing her suit-case for a trip. Three things are necessary — collection, selection and elimination.

As the result of an auto accident on my way to an associational meeting in Pennsylvania my report will cover but nine months of service. The Northern Baptist Convention in Boston, a summer assembly in West Virginia and a workers' conference held in December in Chicago took three weeks of my time, but without the inspiration gained at these meetings, I could not have done the work of the year.

A summary of my work would include twenty associational

meetings, twenty-five basket and quarterly meetings, four days of prayer services, two conferences in the interest of the United Missionary Campaign. In fifty churches I have spoken at the regular Sunday services and to the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. meetings. In twenty-five other churches I have spoken at the regular prayer service. I have met the women in forty-two of their local society meetings; I have attended fifteen meetings of the young women, five of these meetings being in the form of a banquet; five times during the year I have spoken at B. Y. P. U. banquets, and each time received an offering for our work.

During the year I have met five State Directors, five State Directors in charge of Young Women's Work, forty-five Associational Directors, ten Associational Directors in charge of Young Women's Work, three State Presidents and forty Presidents and Treasurers of local societies.

Four new societies have been organized, mission study started in Women's and Young Women's Societies and organized Sunday School classes.

These statistics include work in Western New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia. The thousands of miles traveled and the letters written I have not kept an account of.

I must eliminate from this report many things that I would like to tell — the bright and attractive meetings and the many features now being used to stimulate an interest in Missions, but I must mention the many college and high school girls that are preparing themselves to put their lives where they will count the most for the Master.

My slogan this year has been, "The Master is come and calleth for thee."

"And now with purpose full and clear
We turn to meet another year."

MINNESOTA

MISS LILLIAN A. THOMPSON.— To have been permitted by the Heavenly Father to work for another year with the Baptist women of Minnesota, who are giving their very best to the

cause, regarding no sacrifice too great if His work prospers, is a reason for great thankfulness, and it has been a year of joy in the service.

The associational gatherings of the women have been richly blessed and mean much for our work in the future.

The young women in both our American and Swedish churches are coming to the front and if we can only give them all the help they crave, they will be well fitted to take our places in the coming years, while a goodly number will fill places of responsibility on the home and foreign fields.

While we have a large number of children enrolled in our Children's Bands who prove the most loyal little workers, there are many more who should be in such bands if leaders could be found for the work. The children are most eager for it.

In our Sabbath Schools there is a steadily growing interest, many classes having organized for missionary work. It gives your worker great pleasure to visit these schools from year to year and to see the growth and development of the boys and girls and to have some tall, broad-shouldered young man recall the stories of our work that made such an impression on him as a small boy. With so much to be thankful for one cannot remember the discouragements, but just say, "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad."

MISSOURI

MISS ELEANOR MARE.— A field worker who is also state secretary, and who represents five Boards or Societies of northern and southern conventions, cannot specify which part of her work is for Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society and which for some other organization. But through the Missouri plan, work for one is work for all; and progress of the whole means progress of each department.

So far as figures are concerned, 3,906 letters written, 3,229 circular letters duplicated and sent out, 1,559 packages of literature mailed, 37 Women's and 13 Young Women's Societies organized, and 106 places visited, is the record.

Promotion of the standard of excellence has been the most

helpful feature of the work of increasing efficiency of existing organizations. This standard calls for increase in membership, in attendance, in missionary periodicals taken and in giving; for special seasons of prayer for foreign, home and state missions; for a mission study class; for the organization of a new society and for some personal missionary service in the local community.

In the Missouri Assembly of ten days, and an Associational Assembly of six days, classes were conducted in "Red Man's Land," and conferences on methods conducted. Fourteen all day Associational conferences have been held.

One of the most interesting tours was in November when the myriad oak trees on the Ozark hills had put on their winter foliage of brown. The white barked sycamores stood like sentinels along the courses of the clear, bubbling creeks. The dark green of the cedars, the yellow brown of the corn fields, with the shocks still standing, the bright red buckberries on the roadside bushes, the clusters of bitter sweet brightening the fences and the bare branched hickory or walnut trees, the big red barns and the white cottage homes, made pictures of rare beauty. The Associational Secretary of Polk County took the general worker, partly by rail, but most of the time behind a team of mules, up and down hill, to visit 32 out of the 34 Baptist churches of the county. We left twenty-one Missionary Societies where only three had been before. This county is one of many in Missouri where "Missionary Baptists" abound, but where the missionary impulse has hitherto found its chief outlet in local work. The Missionary Society will furnish the fount of information regarding the larger missionary activities of the denomination, and the channel whereby many givers and many small gifts may become a source of blessing to the world. Among these thousands of unenlisted workers Missouri women find their opportunity and their responsibility.

EASTERN NEW YORK

MRS. L. K. BARNES.— D. L. Moody once said, "Obedience means marching right on whether we like it or not." In my work this year I have had some of this kind of marching, but I

have tried to remember "our life is a trust, not a gift," and we should let God use it as seems to Him best.

Our meetings at the Associations were held in co-operation with the United Missionary Campaign. This march was a little hard, but our women fell in line with very little murmuring, and we trust good was accomplished. During the year four large rallies were arranged for, appointments were made for Mrs. A. E. Reynolds, who spent the month of October in Eastern New York. Her wise and interesting presentation of our work was much appreciated. Appointments were also made for Miss Isabelle Crawford, Miss Ethel Ryan, Miss Adell Martin and Miss Carlotta Perera, the latter a Cuban young woman, on her first visit to the United States. She proved it was worth while to train and educate and give the Gospel to these people.

Again as the guest of the New York City Branch, I attended the Northern Baptist Convention. This was a great help, enabling me to keep in touch with the great problems of our denomination, as well as keeping informed on all lines of woman's work. One day was spent at the Missionary Educational Conference at Geneva Lake, Wisconsin. Twice I had the privilege of spending a few days in the Training School at Chicago. The conference of workers held there in December was the most helpful meeting I ever attended in connection with our Home Mission Society.

It was a pleasure to secure seven scholarships in our Training School and a large number of individual gifts, because they were given so cheerfully. We would like to mention every donor by name. We are indebted to Dr. J. A. Coles of New York City for another organ for the church at Playa, Porto Rico.

In addition to my work as general worker, I do the work of State Director for Eastern New York, and we have nearly 500 churches and an apportionment of over $22,000.00. I also have charge of a large committee in the New York City Branch (work in churches committee), arrange all rallies and appointments for speakers, besides assisting in securing the money given by this Branch, also helping in a lesser way the same committee in Brooklyn, as well as attending a large number of

committee meetings held in New York City, entertaining visiting workers, taking them to Ellis Island and to see the other mission work in our city, writing articles for missionary magazines; these and many other duties make my work seem to be "to do with my might what my hands find to do," trusting I will be guided to do His Will.

OKLAHOMA

MISS SUE O. HOWELL.— At the close of another year we can truthfully say that there has been some advancement along all lines of our work.

The six District meetings held last April gave an inspiration and an impetus which has been felt throughout the year.

Our State Annual meeting in November was the best we have ever held, both in attendance and interest. One hundred fifty-one women were seated together at a simple luncheon and the enthusiasm ran high as the program presented a resume of our eight years' work under the present organization. Following this in the meeting of the Baptist General Convention a very important action was taken, when a resolution to cease our plan of co-operation and take single alignment with the Southern Baptist Convention was carried. In our woman's work, so happy and harmonious had been our relations with the co-operating societies that to many it brought a feeling of sorrow to sever the tie which had given us a great vision and bound us together in sympathy and service with all other Baptist women in the whole world. However, loyalty in the past means loyalty in the future, and so our organization will turn to the new plan with the same zeal and determination to work out the best methods for the continued progress of our work, never ceasing to be grateful for the aid which has helped our woman's work in Oklahoma, to make almost a phenomenal growth.

We are closing the year with a series of District meetings and securing gifts toward the work among miners at Coalgate, Oklahoma where we have purchased some beautiful lots and a cottage for the use of the missionary, Miss Minna Preuss, as she tries to reach the mothers and children with the Gospel message.

WISCONSIN

MRS. S. F. STEWART.— It is my privilege to make my thirteenth annual report to the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society. The years have been full of blessings and opportunities and the work greatly enjoyed, but the time has come when it seems best that I should lay it down.

My resignation has been sent in with great reluctance and yet with a feeling that other and stronger hands would do a larger and better work for the Kingdom.

This report includes only eight months of service, as I was practically incapacitated for work four months of the year through serious trouble with my eyes.

The fall and early winter was spent in the Dakotas, a new and interesting field showing results of Mrs. Newell's pioneer work so earnestly and faithfully done.

In January I returned again to Minnesota visiting the same churches where I began work in 1902. Great changes have taken place in these thirteen years and advancement is seen along many lines. A deep and growing interest in the work is shown by the women throughout the state. During the year I have made 94 addresses, have held 28 conferences, have traveled 22 days with the efficiency team, attended the North Dakota State Convention at Minot, where it was my privilege to be one of the speakers, and have usually attended the monthly meetings of the State Board, giving a report of each month's work.

An invitation to attend a Workers' Conference in Chicago in December was greatly appreciated and the meetings greatly enjoyed. I cannot, at this time, express the gratitude of my heart to the officers and general workers of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society for all their patience and kindly assistance during these years of partnership in service. My love and loyalty will abide throughout the coming days, and may the great Head of the Church lead us each and all evermore.

CHANGES

Resignations and Expirations of Appointments

Blanche Waite, Fredericka Ergenzinger, Louise Harner, Mrs. Louise A. Moody, Anna Hughes, Jennie Brunetti, Ida Belle Davis, Jennie L. Peck, Florence Reckard, Emma Simmons, Dorothea DeLong, Mattie Walker, Mrs. Flores, Arabella Davis, Anna Phelps, Alice Cushing, Leith Rice, Cora Alexander, Rose Anstey, Mrs. L. H. McAdams, Nora Wilson, Aurelia Norburn, Margaret Smith, Elsie Allen, Dolores Salgado, Delia Tapia, Mrs. Rosa J. Holloman, Adeline Saunders, Florence L. Randolph, Elizabeth N. Johnson, Mrs. U. L. Joyce, Alice M. Paxton, Elvira B. Hamlin, Laura Norgaard, Mrs. Irene B. Maxwell, Ida M. North, Nellie E. Fife, Mrs. V. Chaney Drake, Mrs. Annie M. Brooks, Willie Alexander, M. W. Curtis, Eugenia Shapleigh, Prudence Owens, Margaret A. Johnson, Luisa Mas, Emma Graner, Edith Crocker, Wanda Federman, Clara Peterson, Edna Kidd, S. Ellen Thornton, Anna Pederson, Inez Kinney, Bertha Davis, Faith Longfellow, Laura F. Parker, Magdalena Zerecero, Martha J. Perry, Mrs. George W. Pegues, Mrs. S. F. Stewart, Laura Herrick, Leona Kittle, Eva Hill, Abigail Tapia.

Appointments and Transfers

To fill vacancies, reinforce missions and open up new work the following appointments and transfers have been made:

MISSIONARIES

City Missionaries

Marguerite Cochran transferred from Aiken Institute, Chicago, to La-Salle Avenue Church, Chicago; Edith Crocker, Los Angeles, Cal.; Mary Hyndman, Chicago; Amelia Scott from Kansas City, Kansas, to St. Louis, Mo.; Maud Skiles, Toledo, O.; Esther Christensen, South Omaha, Neb.; Harriette Kerby, Murray, Utah; Lyde Jenkins, H. Mary Sundell, San Francisco, Calif.; Carolyn Rice, Los Angeles, Cal.

General Missionaries

Ida Grisham, Western Idaho; Grace Thompson from Chinese School in Oakland, Cal., to Eastern Idaho; Frieda Dressel from City Mission work in Salt Lake City to General Missionary work in Utah; Mary Ayres, Oregon; Harriette Kerby transferred from Murray to General Missionary work in Utah.

Mill and Mining

Myrtie Rayner from First Mesa, Polacca, Ariz., to Carneyville, Wyo., and vicinity.

Italians and Jews

Ruth Chamberlin, Waterbury, Conn.; Mrs. C. A. Field, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gertrude Miller from Cuba to Cleveland, O.; Mary Densmore, Milford; June Barber, Trenton; Anna Gage, Newark; Grace Baity, New York; N. Mabel Hall, Buffalo; Ethel Downsbrough, Philadelphia; Minnie Schulman, Cleveland; Susan F. E. Miller, New Haven, Conn.; Mrs. E. R. Christopher, Miss Myrtle M. Blight, East Boston; Amy Purcell from Japanese work, Seattle, Wash., to Portland, Oregon; Helen Carley, Batavia, N. Y.

Scandinavians

Marie Aase, Chicago; Anna Kvamme, Valley City, No. Dak., and vicinity.

Slavic Races

Amelia Bartel, Cleveland, O.; Amalia Patz, Milwaukee, Wis.; Lenore Sayenga, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Indians

Mary Moody from Keams Canon to First Mesa, Polacca, Ariz.; Alice Steer from Lodge Grass to Pryor, Mont.; Elsie Michel, Keams Canon, Ariz.; Marie Christofferson, Fallon, Nev.

Negroes

F. Esther Ridley, Houston, Texas; Ada F. Morgan, Alice Cushing, Nashville, Tenn.

Chinese

Julia Meadows, Chicago, Ill.

Japanese

Eva Hill from City Mission work, Portland, Ore., to Japanese Home, Seattle; Florence Rumsey, Japanese Home, Seattle, Wash.

Alaskans

Miss Lena Gorrell, Kodiak, Wood Island, Alaska.

Spanish-Speaking People

Gabriella Jimenez from San Luis to Guantanamo, Cuba.; Mrs. Martha Knowles, Oxnard, Calif.; Nellie Waller, Los Angeles, Calif.

TEACHERS AND MATRONS IN MISSION SCHOOLS

Indians

Nora Swenson, Lodge Grass, Mont.; Mrs. Lulu Dighton, Bacone, Okla.

Negroes

Martha Howell from Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., to National Training School for Women and Girls, Washington, D. C., Grace I. Boone, Laura Parker, Hartshorn Memorial College, Richmond, Va.; Leslie Washington, Baton Rouge College, Baton Rouge, La.; Mrs. Henrietta Evans, Waters Normal Institute, Winton, N. C., Maria C. Rumley, Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.; Margaret Pulley, Fannie L. Showers, Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock, Ark.; Lucy Hammond, Mrs. George W. Pegues, Bertha Davis, Emma L. Berry, Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.; Marion Hadley, Mrs. Marjorie Holmes, Jackson College, Jackson, Miss.; Hattie A. Coleman, Carrie A. Brown, Jarrel Baptist Inst., Athens, Ga., Mrs. Emily Laycock Weir, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Ethel W. Stocks, Western College, Macon, Mo.; Ruth A. Smith, Florence L. Douglas, Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.; Helen Wolcott, Laura Herrick, Mrs. Ida A. Ross, Mrs. Flora Atchison, Mrs. Lottie Reed, Augusta Stubblefield, Mather School, Beaufort, S. C.; Julia Rogers, Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Ruth Turner Long, Baptist Academy, Dermott, Ark.; Laura M. Zollers, Hartshorn Memorial College, Richmond, Va.; Lottie Mosely, Thompson Institute, Lumberton, N. C.

Chinese

Faith Longfellow, Pearl Hewitt, San Francisco, Calif.; Anna R. Dietz, Oakland, Cal.

Cubans

Alice Wakeman from Manzanillo to La Maya, Cuba; Beulah Hume from Monterey, Mexico, to Las Tunas, Cuba; Margaret Renshaw from Ciego de Avila to Bayamo; Eva Fewel, Esther Gonzalez, Camaguey.

Mexicans

Eliseo Villarreal, Monterey; Amelia Fuentes, Guadalupe; Margarita D. Cruz, Josefina Pliego, Minnie Uriegas, Jonas Garcia, Refugia Ibarra, Mexico City.

STATIONS AND MISSIONARIES

CITY MISSIONARIES.

STATE.	STATION OR HEADQUARTERS.	WORK BEGUN IN STATE OR AT STATION.	MISSIONARIES ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915.
			28
California	San Francisco	1913	Miss H. Mary Sundell.
			Miss Lyde Jenkins.
			Miss Dorothea DeLong.
			Mrs. Anna G. Murdoch.
	Los Angeles	1913	Miss Edith Crocker.
			Miss Carolyn Rice.
	Fresno	1914	Miss Hazel Meyers.
Colorado	Denver	1911	Miss Clara J. Flint.
District Columbia	Washington	1914	Miss Salina Fraser.
Illinois	Chicago	1913	Miss Jennie Loshbough.
			Miss May Morey.
			Miss Mary Hyndman.
			Miss Marguerite Cochran.
Indiana	Indianapolis	1912	Miss Lenore Spicklemire.
Kansas	Kansas City	1910	Miss Minnie Pennoyer.
		1913	Miss Amelia Scott.*
Missouri	St. Louis	1914	Miss Amelia Scott.
	Kansas City	1913	Miss Dora Larson.
Nebraska	So. Omaha	1911	Miss Blanche E. Waite.
			Miss Esther Christensen.
	Scotts Bluff	1913	Miss Inez A. Kinney.
Ohio	Youngstown	1913	Miss Ada M. Posegate.
	Toledo	1914	Miss Maud Skiles.
Oregon	Portland	1912	Miss Eva Hill.
So. Dakota	Sioux Falls	1913	Miss Helen Tenhaven.
Utah	Salt Lake City	1893	Miss Frieda A. Dressel.*
	Eureka	1893	Miss Ada L. Shepherd.
	Murray	1914	Miss Harriette Kerby.*

GENERAL MISSIONARIES.

			10
Idaho	Boise	1911	Miss Ida Grisham.
		1913	Miss Grace Thompson.
Oregon	La Grande	1912	Miss Mary Ayres.
So. Dakota	Sioux Falls	1914	Miss Eva Button.
Utah	Salt Lake City	1914	Miss Frieda A. Dressel.
	Murray	1915	Miss Harriette Kerby.
Washington	Seattle	1911	Miss Fannie I. Allen.
		1913	Miss Dagny Peterson.
Wyoming	Cheyenne	1912	Miss Nelle Morgan.
	Sheridan	1910	Miss Anna Hughes.

*Name occurs more than once.

MILL AND MINING POPULATIONS.

STATE.	STATION OF HEADQUARTERS.	WORK BEGUN IN STATE OR AT STATION.	MISSIONARIES ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915	
				7
Colorado	Walsenburg	1913	Miss Minnie Matthews. Miss Alice Matthews.	
South Carolina	Greenville	1909	Miss Henrietta Wright.	
South Dakota	Deadwood	1911	Miss Florence Reckard.	
	Lead			
West Virginia	Oak Hill	1908	Miss Elizabeth Carr. Miss Melissa Perry.	
Wyoming	Carneyville	1910	Miss Myrtie Raynor.	

LANDING PLACE.

				2
New York	Ellis Island	1884	Miss Martha Troeck. Mrs. M. C. Conversano.	

FINNS.

				1
New York	New York City	1913	Miss Lydia Hedborg.	

FRENCH.

				1
Massachusetts	Taunton	1909	Miss Bertha Nicolet.	

GERMANS.

				15
Illinois	Chicago	[illegible]	Miss Bertha Koch. Miss Minnie Schoeffel. Miss Emma Graner.	
Massachusetts	Boston	1913	Miss Emma Steinberg.	
Minnesota	St. Paul	1909	Miss Hannah Neve.	
Missouri	St. Louis	1905	Miss Anna Reysen.	
New Jersey	West Hoboken	1894	Miss Elise Hueni.	
New York	Brooklyn	1910	Miss Marie Groenig.	
	New York City	1886	Miss Hannah Ritzmann.	
Ohio	Cleveland	1904	Miss Minnie Gebhardt. Miss Anna Brinkman.	
	Cincinnati	1912	Miss Hilda Krause.	
Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	1884	Miss Hannah Seils.	
Wisconsin	LaCrosse	1896	Miss Ida Weeldreyer.	
	Milwaukee	1892	Miss Anna Dingel.	

*Name occurs more than once.

ITALIANS.

STATE.	STATION OR HEADQUARTERS.	WORK BEGUN IN STATE OR AT STATION.	MISSIONARIES ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915.
			35
Connecticut	Waterbury	1914	Miss Ruth Chamberlin.
	New Haven	1911	Miss Ida North.
			Miss Susan F. E. Miller.
	Bridgeport	1913	Miss Helen Story.
	Hartford	1913	Miss Ethel Ryan.
Massachusetts	Boston	1909	Miss Alice Cushing.
			Mrs. E. R. Christopher.
			Miss Myrtle Blight.
	Milford	1911	Miss Mary Densmore.
	Lawrence	1912	Miss Lydia Nichols.
New Jersey	Newark	1908	Miss Anna Gage.
	Trenton	1908	Miss June Barber.
			Miss Louise Harner.
	Camden	1906	Miss Elizabeth Snagg.
			Miss Mae Jenkins.
New York	Buffalo	1911	Miss Ida Belle Davis.
			Miss N. Mabel Hall.
	New York City	1906	Miss Ella Bennett.
			Miss Sarah Noyes.
			Miss Freada Koeker.
			Miss Evelyn Bronelle.
			Miss Eva McCoy.
			Miss Grace Baity.
			Miss Effie Blauvelt.
			Miss Bellma Force.
	Brooklyn	1904	Mrs. C. A. Field.
			Mrs. Louise A. Moody.
	Batavia	1914	Miss Helen Carley.
Ohio	Cleveland	1914	Miss Gertrude Miller.
Oregon	Portland	1913	Miss Arabella Davis.
			Miss Amy Purcell.
Pennsylvania	Pittsburgh	1909	Miss Lilla Sawyer.
	Philadelphia	1912	Miss Ethel Downsbrough.
Rhode Island	Providence	1913	Miss Jennie Brunetti
Vermont	Barre	1912	Miss A. Myrtle Jameson.

JEWS.

			2
New York	New York City	1910	Miss Belle Chisakofsky.
Ohio	Cleveland	1914	Miss Minnie Schulman.

DANES AND NORWEGIANS.

			7
California	Oakland	1912	Miss Clara Peterson.
Illinois	Chicago	1909	Miss Marie Aase.
			Miss Anna Nielson.
Iowa	Council Bluffs	1910	Miss Anna Pederson.
North Dakota	Valley City	1914	Miss Anna Kvamme.
Washington	Tacoma	1913	Miss Annie Amundsen.
Wisconsin	Racine	1912	Miss Laura Norgaard.

*Name occurs more than once.

SWEDES.

STATE.	STATION OR HEADQUARTERS.	WORK BEGUN IN STATE OR AT STATION.	MISSIONARIES ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915.	11
California	Los Angeles	1896	Miss Sabina Erickson.	
	Oakland	1888	Miss Lina J. Hagstrome.	
Colorado	Denver	1908	Miss Ester Scherling.	
Illinois	Moline	1913	Miss Anna Hagquist.	
Iowa	Des Moines	1913	Miss Sigrid Edquist.	
Massachusetts	Boston	1909	Miss Mathilde Brown.	
Minnesota	Minneapolis	1913	Miss Carrieth Olson.	
Missouri	Kansas City	1904	Miss Anna Gustafson.	
New York	Brooklyn	1887	Miss Ida Knudson.	
			Miss Anna Nelson.	
	New York City	1912	Miss Jennie Jerf.	

BOHEMIANS. 1

Illinois	Chicago	1898	Miss Lora Vedra.	

MIXED SLAVIC POPULATIONS. 14

Illinois	So. Chicago	1913	Miss Anna Knop.	
	West Pullman	1912	Miss Wanda Federman.	
Indiana	Hammond	1913	Mrs. Julea Horvath.	
			Miss Harriet Morton.	
Kansas	Kansas City	1911	Miss Nathana Clyde.	
Michigan	Detroit	1910	Miss Mildred Jones.	
			Miss Bertha Kirschke.	
			Miss Alma Kurtz.	
Ohio	Cleveland	1914	Miss Amelia Bartel.	
Pennsylvania	Pittsburgh	1904	Miss Augusta Stewart.	
			Miss Lenore Sayenga.	
	McKeesport	1904	Miss Marie Meereis.	
	Homestead	1904	Mrs. A. Pauliniy.	
	Edwardsville	1913	Miss Blodwin Jones.	

POLES. 2

Wisconsin	Milwaukee	1909	Miss Augusta Johnson.	
			Miss Amelia Patz.	

RUSSIANS. 1

California	Los Angeles	1911	Miss Emma Miller.	

* Name occurs more than once.

INDIANS.

STATE.	STATION OR HEADQUARTERS.	WORK BEGUN IN STATE OR AT STATION.	MISSIONARIES ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915.
			18
Arizona	Toreva	1901	Miss Anna H. Nelson.
			Mrs. Bertha I. Beeman.
	Polacca	1902	Miss Abigail Johnson.
			Miss Mary Moody.
			Miss Myrtie Raynor.*
	Keams Cañon	1911	Miss Mary Moody.*
			Miss Elsie Michel.
California	Auberry	1909	Miss Ida Schofield.
			Miss Emma Christensen
Montana	Pryor	1913	Miss Sarah Goodspeed.
			Miss Alice Steer.
Nevada	Stewart		Miss Lillie R. Corwin.
	Reno	1908	Miss Elizabeth G. Glick.
	Fallon	1912	Miss Marie Christofferson.
			Miss Mary Brown.
Oklahoma	Saddle Mountain	1896	Miss Gertrude Mithoff.
			Miss Bernice Foulke.
			Lucius Aitsan.
NEGROES.			32
Alabama	Birmingham	1886	Miss Ella Knapp.
			Miss Anna L. Boorman.
			Mrs. Carrie B. McQueen.
Arkansas	Jefferson	1908	Mrs. Jane Lindsley.
	Pine Bluff		
District of Columbia	Washington	1913	Miss Etta Versa.
Kentucky	Owensboro	1908	Miss Nannie Locke.
Louisiana	New Orleans	1910	Mrs. Sarah Germany.
Mississippi	Vicksburg	1888	Miss Eva Richardson.
			Miss Ella Varian.
Missouri	Clarksville	1907	Mrs. A. J. Abington.
New York	Brooklyn	1910	Miss Grace Daland.
			Mr. and Mrs. James G. Franklin
North Carolina	James City	1897	Miss Carrie Waugh.
			Miss R. A. Williams.
	Newbern	1897	Mrs. Harriet Duggins.
	Winston-Salem	1894	Mrs. Emma Simmons.
South Carolina	Columbia	1907	Miss Julia A. Watson.
Tennessee	Chattanooga	1895	Mrs, Nellie Bishop.
	Clarksville	1902	Mrs. Cora Everette Pettus
			Mrs. Darthula Ghee.
	Nashville (Hdqrs. for Fireside School and Hope)	1895	Miss J. P. Moore.
			Miss Lorilla E. Bushnell.
			Miss Ada F. Morgan.
			Miss Grace Eaton.
			Miss Alice A. Cushing.
			Miss Florence Burnett.
			Mrs. Mary Flowers.
Texas	Houston	1913	Miss Cora E. Alexander.
			Miss F. Esther Ridley.
	Longview	1904	Miss Jessie Holman.
Virginia	Portsmouth	1895	Mrs. Belle C. Mebane.
	Richmond	1880	Miss Rosabel Rider.

*Name occurs more than once.

CUBA.

STATE.	STATION OR HEADQUARTERS.	WORK BEGUN IN STATE OR AT STATION.	MISSIONARIES ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915.
Oriente	Guantanamo	1906	Miss Gabriella Jimenez. Miss Gertrude Miller.*
	San Luis	1909	Miss Gabriella Jimenez.*
	Manzanillo	1911	Miss Alice Wakeman.*
	Santiago and Vicinity	1900	Miss Anna Barkley.
Camaguey	Minas	1914	Miss Mercedes Grane

MEXICANS.

UNITED STATES. 6

Arizona	Tucson	1911	Miss Marie Norgaard.*
California	San Diego	1911	Mrs. Janie P. Duggan. Miss Leith Rice.
	Los Angeles	1913	Miss Nellie Waller. Miss Hallie F. Embree
	Oxnard		Mrs. Martha Knowles.

MEXICO. 5

Aguas	Aguas Calientes	1902	Miss F. Salas.
Federal District	Mexico City	1893	Sen. Luz Heath. Mrs. H. W. Conwell. Sen. Carolina Galina.
Puebla	Puebla	1896	Mrs. Paula B. Tooms.

PORTO RICO. 7

Humacao	Caguas	1906	Miss Adell Martin. Miss Esther Palacios. Miss Luisa Mas.
Ponce	Ponce	1909	Miss Mary O. Lake. Miss Laura Dresser.
San Juan	San Juan	1910	Miss Albertine D. Bischoff.
	Pio Piedras		Miss Lydia Huber.

CHINESE. 4

Arizona	Tucson	1911	Miss Marie Norgaard.*
California	San Francisco	1884	Miss Martha Ames.
Illinois	Chicago	1915	Miss Julia Meadows.
Washington	Seattle	1908	Miss Jane Skiff.

JAPANESE. 3

Washington	Seattle	1904	Miss Florence Rumsey. Miss Nellie Fife. Miss Amy Purcell.

ALASKA. 4

Kodiak	Wood Island (Orphanage)		Rev. George Learn, Supt. Miss Lena Gorrell, Matron. Miss F. L. Ergenzinger, Matron. Miss Jennie H. Johnson, Matron.

*Name occurs more than once

TEACHERS AND MATRONS IN MISSION SCHOOLS

INDIANS.

STATE.	SCHOOL.	TEACHERS AND MATRONS ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915.
		11
Montana	Lodge Grass	Miss Ida Wofflard. Miss Nora Swenson. Miss Alice E. Steer.*
	Wyola—1911	Miss Frances Shaw. Miss Edna Oden.
Oklahoma	Bacone (Ind. University)	Mrs. Mollie Garner. Miss Mina B. Morford. Mrs. Luella J. Randall.
	Bacone (Orphanage)	Miss Jessie Crouse. Miss Joan Saunders. Mrs. Lulu Dighton.

NEGROES.

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Arkansas	Little Rock (Ark. Bap. College)	Miss Fannie L. Showers. Miss Margaret Pulley. Miss Adeline Saunders. Preceptress. Miss Florence L. Randolph. Miss Elizabeth N. Johnson.
	Dermott (Baptist Ac.)	Miss Henrietta Bedgood, Preceptress. Mrs. Ruth Turner Long.
Dist. of Columbia	Washington (Nat. Training School for Women and Girls)	Miss Jennie L. Peck, Dean. Miss Martha Howell, Dean. Miss Florence Walter.
Florida	Jacksonville (Fla. Baptist Academy)	Miss Sarah A. Blocker. Miss C. L. Johnson. Miss Charlotte Gomott. Miss Winnie Williams. Miss Idella Cason.
Georgia	Atlanta (Morehouse College)	Mrs. Emily Laycock Wier. Mrs. V. Chaney Drake. Miss Lucy Tapley, President.
	Atlanta (Spelman Seminary)	Miss Helen A. McAlpine. Miss Ruth Abby Smith. Miss Florence L. Douglas.

*Name occurs more than once.

NEGROES—Continued.

STATE.	SCHOOL.	TEACHERS AND MATRONS ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915
	Atlanta (Spelman Seminary)	Miss C. Marie Grover. Miss Martha Howell. Miss Elvina O. Werden. Miss Anna Suter. Miss Elizabeth C. Towns. Miss Grace E. Rogers. Miss Clara A. Howard. Miss Edith V. Brill. Miss May Hamilton. Miss Mabel H. Parsons. Miss Prudence Owens. Miss Minnie B. Timson. Miss Mabel H. Topping.
Georgia	Athens (Jeruel Ac)	Helen A. Coleman Miss Carrie E. Patillo. Miss Carrie A. Brown. Miss Margaret Johnson. Miss Roberta M. Milner. Miss Addie L. Jackson.
	Americus (Americus Inst.)	Mrs. B. A. Kennedy. Mrs. L. L. Brown. Miss J. L. Fowler.
Illinois	Chicago	Mrs. I. B. Maxwell.
Kentucky	Louisville (State University)	Miss M. Belle Anderson.
Louisiana	Baton Rouge (Baton Rouge Ac.)	Miss Jessie Washington. Miss Mattie Walker.
	Gibsland (Coleman Academy)	Mrs. M. H. Coleman. Miss K. F. Smith.
Mississippi	Jackson (Jackson College)	Miss Florence Lindsay. Miss Alice M. Paxton. Mrs. Marietta Hubert. Mrs. I. L. Garnett.
Missouri	Macon (Western College)	Mrs. Ethel W. Stocks. Mrs. Annie M. Brooks.
North Carolina	Lumberton (Thompson Inst.)	Miss Esther Thacker. Miss Martha J. Perry. Miss Lottie Mosely.
	Raleigh (Shaw University)	Miss Charlotte Murray. Mrs. S. A. Ewing. Miss C. S. Brown. Miss Julia A. Brown.
	Winton (Waters Normal Inst.)	Miss Viola Page. Mrs. R. J. Hollomon. Mrs. Henrietta Evans.

NEGROES—Continued.

STATE.	SCHOOL.	TEACHERS AND MATRONS ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915.
South Carolina	Columbia (Benedict College)	Miss Bessie L. Perry. Miss Lucy Hammond. Miss Olive Warren. Miss Rose Anstey. Miss Aurelia Norburn. Miss Julia Rogers. Mrs. U. L. Joyce. Miss Carrie A. Hunt. Miss S. E. Owen. Miss Helen Wolcott. Miss Laura Herrick. Miss M. W. Curtis.
	Beaufort (Mather School)	Mrs. Ida Ross. Mrs. Flora Atchison. Miss Elvira B. Hamlin. Miss Leona Kittle. Miss Harriet L. Sanders. Mrs. Lottie Reed. Miss Eugenia Shapleigh. Miss Harriet L. Davis. Miss Willie Alexander. Miss Christine Bossen. Miss Harriet Rogers. Mrs. Daisy Greene. Mrs. George W. Pegues. Miss Bertha Davis. Miss Anna Phelps.
Tennessee	Nashville (Roger Williams University)	Mrs. Maria C. Kenney. Mrs. L. H. McAdams.
	Memphis (Howe Bible Inst.)	Mrs. Rosa Fuller.
	Richmond (Virginia Union University)	Miss Kate Gale.
Virginia	Richmond (Hartshorn Memorial)	Miss F. Jewett. Miss Carrie V. Dyer. Miss Dixie Williams. Miss Laura F. Parker. Mrs. L. A. Hope. Miss Ada C. Baytop. Miss Grace Bowes. Mrs. R. K. Jones. Miss Laura M. Zollers. Miss Margaret Smith. Miss Elsie R. Allen.
	Cheriton (Tidewater Institute)	Mrs. A. E. Read.

CHINESE.

California	San Francisco	1884	Miss Eva Caton. Miss Faith Longfellow. Miss Alice H. Morton. Miss Enid P. Johnson. Miss Pearl Hewitt.
	Sacramento		Miss E. Willsie.
	Oakland	1906	Mrs. Amanda Egli. Miss Jennie J. Egli. Miss Anna R. Dietz. Miss Grace H. Thompson.*
Oregon	Portland	1895	Miss Mary Berkley

*Name occurs more than once.

POLES

STATE.	SCHOOL.	TEACHERS AND MATRONS ON FIELD DURING YEAR ENDING MARCH 31 1915.	
Wisconsin	Milwaukee	1	Miss Augusta Jordan.

ITALIANS

New York	Brooklyn	1	Miss Nellie Truman.

CUBA.

Oriente	La Maya	12	Miss Alice Wakeman.
	Bayamo		Miss Margaret Renshaw.
	El Cristo		Miss Nellie Waller.
	Guantanamo		Miss Mabel Young.
	Victoria de las Tunas		Miss Maggie Howell.
	Santiago		Miss Beulah Hume.
	Palma Soriano		Miss Isabel Waidman.
			Miss Mary Nicholas.
Camaguey	Camaguey		Miss Eva Fewel.
			Miss Esther Gonzalez.
	Ciego de Avila		Miss Margaret Renshaw.*
			Miss Olive Jeffery.

MEXICO.

Mexico	Guadalupe	27	Miss Luz Garduno.
			Miss Amelia Fuentes.
			Mr. Jonas Garcia.
			Miss Minnie Uriegas.
			Miss Magdalena Meaney.
			Miss Refugia Ibarra.
			Miss Abigail Tapia.
			Miss Dolores Salgado.
	Mexico City		Miss Alicia D. Trevino.
			Miss Domingo L. Meza.
			Miss Manuela T. Rangel.
			Miss Josephine Pliego.
			Miss Margarita D. Cruz.
			Miss Sara A. Perez.
			Miss Eva Barocio.
			Miss Magdalena Zerecero.
			Mr. Eliseo Villareal.
			Miss Isabel Garcia.
	Monterey (International School)		Miss Elvira Cavazos.
			Miss Alicia Lazo.
			Miss Raquel Jimenez.
			Miss Esther Lazo.
	Puebla		Miss Adeline Cerda
			Miss Victoria Wikman.
			Miss Lillah Kirby.
			Miss Berta Uriegas.
			Miss Maria Mendoza.

*Name occurs more than once.

MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES

Missions	*States and Territories*	*Stations or Headquarters*	*Missionaries*
City Missionaries	12	19	28
General Missionaries	6	8	10
Mill and Mining Populations	6	6	7
Landing Place	1	1	2
Finns	1	1	1
French	1	1	1
Germans	9	12	15
Italians	9	20	35
Jews	2	2	2
Danes and Norwegians	6	6	7
Swedes	8	10	11
Slavic Races—			
Bohemians	1	1	1
Mixed Races	6	9	14
Poles	1	1	2
Russians	1	1	1
Indians	5	9	18
Negroes	13	20	32
Spanish-speaking People—			
Cuba	2	5	6
Mexicans	5	7	11
Porto Rico	3	4	7
Orientals—			
Chinese	4	4	4
Japanese	1	1	3
Alaska	1	1	4
Total			222

SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND MATRONS

Indians	2	4	11
Negroes	13	24	108
Chinese	2	4	11
Poles	1	1	1
Italians	1	1	1
Cuba	2	9	12
Mexico	1	4	27
Total			171
Total number of Missionaries, Teachers and Matrons			393

Twelve workers are counted twice in the above numeration, making 381 Missionaries, Teachers and Matrons on the field during the year. There are on the field at the close of the year 315.

PARTIAL SUMMARY OF WORK

Religious visits	135,644
Religious conversations not included in visits	33,916
Fireside School, Families enrolled	10,308
Bible Bands and Teachers' Meetings	5,210
Industrial Schools and Children's Meetings	9,168
Sunday School Sessions labored in	11,302
Young People's Meetings attended and conducted	2,309
Women's Meetings attended and conducted	2,867
Missionary Meetings attended and conducted	1,982
Temperance Meetings attended and conducted	488
Sunday Schools organized	96
Temperance Societies organized	36
Other Meetings attended	38,741

ARIZONA

State Director — MRS. A. B. TOMLINSON, Yuma

ASSOCIATIONS	DIRECTORS											
No. Associations in Order												
Total												

ARIZONA

Children's State Director — MISS ALMA ADAMS, Glendale

ASSOCIATIONS	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS							
No. Associations in Order								
	Total							

CALIFORNIA — (Central and Northern)

State Director — MRS. L. A. JOHNSON, 28 Loreta Ave., Piedmont

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
San Francisco..	Mrs. G. J. Oehrli, 823 14th St., San Francisco.....	29	15	....	2000	440	13	6	9	200	8	6
San Jose.....	Mrs. M. E. Watson, P.O. Box 94, Sunnyvale.....	21	16	....	1200	215	9	1	7	112	8	3
San Joaquin...	Mrs. J. L. Mitchell, 2529 Lee St., Selma..	29	24	1	2798	517	11	1	5	145	3	....
Sacramento....	Mrs. G. M. Purnell, 1308 25th St., Sacramento.....	12	9	....	900	200	7	1	4	60	4	1
Sacramento River.....	Mrs. J. C. Garth, 330 Willow St., Willows.....	16	12	....	1000	....	4	1	.....	28	3	1
Pacific.....	Mrs. Lizzie Voorhees, Napa.....	9	7	1	600	....	4	....	.....	....	.....	....
Clear Lake....	Mrs. A. A. Lord, Noyo, Mendocino Co.	11	7	1	400	115	3	....	2	16	3	....
Central.....	Mrs. George Hallowell, Home Apartments, Stockton.....	12	7	....	500	100	6	1	3	71	3	....
	Totals.....	139	97	3	9398	1587	57	11	30	632	32	11

How rapidly these "annual reports" do come around. Even so they can scarcely keep pace with the rapid changes that are everywhere taking place. Is there anything in the world, that has not witnessed great changes in the past year? Not alone in our religious work, but seemingly in every relation of mankind, have these changes come.

Our Woman's Home Mission work of California has not been behind in the march onward, and we hope upward, during the past year.

There have been at least two notable and history-making meetings both of which your Director was privileged to attend. The first one was the first California M. E. M. Conference held in Asilomar in July, 1914. This was well attended, and of the greatest profit and inspiration. The next one was held November 6th., in Los Angeles to form the Union District of the Woman's Home and Foreign Societies of California, Nevada and Arizona. This, we believe was a great step in advance of all the other Districts,— in that it was a Union one. Naturally it requires time to get the machinery in good running order, but through the efforts of our efficient officers, the wheels are already well oiled, and running remarkably smooth.

In the final accounting here in Northern California it gives me the greatest delight and thanksgiving to God, that of the apportionment of $2200; $2050.73 was raised, together with $156.90 of the unapportioned amount, making a total of $2207.63, without taking into account some money that may have gone direct to headquarters in Chicago during March, instead of going to Mrs. J. M. Brough, of Biggs, who is the treasurer of Pacific Coast District.

This leads me to speak in the highest praise of the generous action of of our Woman's Home Mission Society, in presenting this District with four per cent on apportionment collections for the entire year. This is the more generous when we remember that the District was not organized until November.

I have the same sad note to sound as in former years. A great many of the societies fail to send reports to the Associational Directors, and the poor State Director, and the poor Associational Directors are all hindered, and belated with their reports. May the Lord "stir up their pure minds by way of remembrance" another year.

CALIFORNIA — (Central and Northern)

Children's State Director — MRS. W. D. JOHNSTON, 4136 E. 18th St., Oakland

Associations	Children's Directors	No. of Jr. Societies	No. of Mission Bands	No. of Members	No. of S.S. having provision of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Sacramento		4	8	120				
Sacramento River, San Joaquin	Miss Gertrude L. Robinson, 323 Porter St., Hanford	7	....	55			....	....
San Francisco	Mrs. W. D. Johnston, 4136 E. 18th St., Oakland	17	287	418	8	2	3	83
Clear Lake		1	....	4				
Central	Mrs. M. Mashkin, Ceres	1	32	35				
Pacific		2	4	89				
San Jose	Mrs. F. M. Emerson, Sunnyvale	4	24	111	3		2	86
Totals		38	361	818	11	2	5	169

Every effort has been made during the past year to get in touch with all the children's work in the state. Several letters have been written to each Association in the hope of securing a Director, Missions is not a popular subject simply because so few know how to make the meetings interesting. A thorough knowledge of the fields and a soul on fire with Christ's command are necessary to accomplish results. We have some splendid meetings in the San Francisco Association. Our quarterly rallies increase the interest and bind the societies together. There are Junior and Intermediate B. Y. P. U. Societies having monthly missionary meetings. I lead six of these myself, as they have chosen different dates. I began with one society three years ago, so I thank God for the seventeen, and His blessing on the work. I wish it were possible to have rallies in other associations.

CALIFORNIA — (Southern)

State Director — MRS. T. S. TOMPKINS, 779 S. Pasadena Ave., Pasadena

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their appor't'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Los Angeles....	Mrs. George C. Lawson, 1505 Pleasant Ave., Los Angeles.....	55	44	....	6573	1644	38	16	32	818	25	16
Santa Ana Valley.....	Mrs. A. L. Bibber, 724 E. Palmyra Ave., Orange	15	11	....	1283	441	9	5	8	216	8	8
Santa Barbara .	Miss Cora I. Gridley, 317 Eucinal Ave., Santa Barbara.....	11	4	1	219	62	5	1	2	39	1	....
Southwestern..	Mrs. H. W. McLoon, 4707 Del Monte Ave., Ocean Beach.....	15	11	....	966	721	10	3	6	165	4	2
	Totals.....	96	70	1	9041	2868	62	25	48	1238	38	26

Never have I so realized the importance, and the meagerness, of statistics furnished by our societies as I do now, at the close of this, my first year as State Director.

My endeavor has been to make the societies realize how interdependent we all are. The weakest ones need to keep in closest touch with the State and Association leaders.

As I scan the figures in the reports, I note a failure to record the number of women in the churches and the number contributing, but of those reported, only about one woman in four is giving to our Society, and only one in eight is reading *Missions*. And too we are neglecting the missionary education of our rising generation through the Sunday School.

On the other hand, I find there is a good increase in the number of women in the churches and in those contributing. Ten per cent more of them raised their apportionment this year, and ten per cent more are sending their money quarterly. There has been a gain in almost every particular though we could wish it much greater.

Miss Millspaugh has been very helpful, visiting many Societies during her winter's residence in Southern California.

We ask the co-operation of the women to help the new leader of Young Women, Miss Genevra Brunner, to reach and organize the girls. In the Associations the same tried and faithful workers remain as Directors, except in Los Angeles Association, which includes more than one-half of the churches in Southern California. There we found such an enthusiastic, capable worker in Mrs. Geo. C. Lawson, that we have asked to have her promoted to the State Directorship which I have resigned in order to help in the administration of the new District, which includes both Home and Foreign work. This organization was effected in November, so we have scarcely had time to note results.

Our women were unwilling to undertake the burden of a new organization that did not include union work, since all our Societies are union, from the State Society to the smallest church. We would thank the Women's Amer-

ican Baptist Home Mission Society for taking so much trouble to adapt their plans so as to make the union district possible. In fact, we believe so thoroughly in union, that we intend to devise some union plan for training our leaders if the National Boards do not furnish one soon.

Miss Waller is the new helper in the Mexican mission, and Miss Carolyn Rice is taking the Cosmopolitan work at Bauchet Street. We hope much good will come from the plan that is just being put into operation, originating with Miss Emma Miller, our worker among the Russians. Each Society is asked to appoint an officer whose duty it is to keep in touch with the missions in the city and then inform her society of the needs and work. We hope in this way to interest our women and young people actively in home mission work.

CALIFORNIA — (Southern)

Young Women's State Director—MISS GENEVRA BRUNNER, 152 N. Park View Los Angeles

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions
Los Angeles		5	4	24	7	141	1	5
Santa Ana		2	2	20	2	43	[illegible]	[illegible]
Southwestern		1	1	5	40	....	1	[illegible]
	Totals	8	7	49	49	184	4	[illegible]

CALIFORNIA — (Southern)

Children's State Director — MRS. J. S. BERRY, 383—7th St., San Pedro

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Bands Organized.	No. of Meetings Held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having prayer-meeting on Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Los Angeles		6	50	75	10	12	6	80
Santa Ana Valley		2	....	....	2	2	3	20
South Western		1	....	....	3	3	2	10
	Totals	9	50	75	15	17	11	110

It has been impossible to secure Associational Directors.

I sent the report blanks to ninety-two churches. Only ten Home blanks have been returned to me and some of them have not been filled out, so I cannot make much of a report. It seems impossible to get a very large per cent of the Societies to fill out and return the blanks.

I have visited the churches as far as I could and organized Bands, but a

leader moves away or something makes it impossible for her to carry on the work and it goes down. My work in my home church is far more than I ought to do. I wish I were able to give my time for one year to the Children's work and I believe I could at least get the children to giving through the Sunday School to our Woman's work.

We are looking forward to the Convention with a great anticipation of great things for us.

COLORADO

State Director — MRS. W. A. BENSON, Box 511, Canon City.

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Gunnison	Mrs. Harry E. Stockham, 184 Garnet Ave., Delta	12	8	....	500	....	7	2	2	41	1	1
Midland	Mrs. J. A. Frazer, 206 E. Dale St., Colorado Springs	9	8	....	370	....	3	2	3	....	.....	4
Rocky Mountain	Mrs. J. E. Reynolds, 2234 Lowell Blvd., Denver	35	25	....	2631	700	23	5	15	300	10	10
San Luis Valley	Mrs. S. Y. Jackson, Alamosa	8	4	....	115	....	2	....	1	30	3	1
Southern	Mrs. W. F. Ripley, Las Animas	15	11	....	1086	....	8	2	6	114	5	8
Southwestern	Mrs. T. E. Peterson, Durango	3	3	....	50	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	2
	Totals	82	59	....	4752	700	43	11	27	485	19	26

* See page 12 for present State Director.

COLORADO

Young Women's State Director — MISS MABEL S. GURLEY, 4589 Newton St., Denver

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Rocky Mountain	.....	7	6	24	9	75	7	17
Gunnison	.....	3	1	12	6	15	1	4
Southern	Miss Maud Butler, Trinidad	4	3	5	3	35	2	2
Midland	.....	2	2	....	13	20	4	3
San Luis	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Southwestern	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
	Totals	16	12	41	31	145	14	26

COLORADO

Children's State Director — MISS MABEL S. GURLEY, 4589 Newton St., Denver

Associations	Children's Societies	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Members	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of S.S. having Mission Study Classes	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of Mission Study Classes
Rocky Mountain									
Central		1	44	91	1	1			
Midland									
San Luis Valley		1	4	5					
Southern	Miss Mabel S. Gurley, President	4	56	8	4		1		
Southwestern				1					
Total		7	88	136	10	2	4		

There have been many encouraging features in the work this past year. One was the ready response we received from the young women's organized Sunday School classes in their contributions for the horse and buggy for the Misses Matthews. Twenty-three classes responded with their gifts. The organized girls' class is a fruitful field for missionary endeavor.

We are praying for like success when the Day Plan is presented to them for the next year's work. This plan includes charts with 365 spaces for the days of the year, having Miss Mary A Brown's picture at the top. Gilt stars are to be pasted or painted in the spaces when the money for the days is pledged.

Already we have heard of some good sized pledges. The classes contributing receives chart, one for the home and one for the foreign missionary, and will also be informed as to progress in number of days taken, and kept in touch with the work of the missionaries.

Letters about Daughters' Day were sent to 50 women in the women's societies. A page of suggestions for the program on that day was included in each letter.

I visited and spoke to 8 different young women's classes in Denver, also spoke at Ft. Collins, Boulder, and the Denver City Union of Nearer and Farther Lights, presenting the Day Plan at the last three places.

At the Baptist Summer School at Palmer Lake last year, one afternoon was given me for the presentation of an Ellis Island Scene, and for presenting missionary work for young women.

Miss Crissman's visit to Colorado is being looked forward to with great hopes. We are praying that the young women she visits will be inspired to become laborers in the harvest.

CONNECTICUT

State Director — MRS. G. F. GENUNG, Brooklyn

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Ashford.....	Mrs. Annie A. Preston, West Willington, R. F. D. 1.....	17	10	4	786	....	3	....	4	....	.....	6
Fairfield.....	Mrs. C. L. Cole, 6 Putnam Ave., S. Norwalk	26	9	5	2197	....	5	3	4	111	1	5
Hartford.....	Mrs. C. F. R. Jenne, 268 Sargent St., Hartford.	31	15	4	3015	....	10	3	8	292	5	8
New Haven....	.....	37	24	3	4215	966	5	3	10	376	5	11
New London...	Mrs. Charles E. Ellis, R.F.D. 2, Norwich...	25	14	3	1715	546	11	4	5	188	2	6
Stonington Union.....	Mrs. Frank A. Thompson, North Stonington	18	9	7	1209	206	6	3	3	143	3	11
	Totals.....	154	81	26	13137	1718	40	16	24	1110	16	47

There are this year 81 organized societies in the state; 26 churches contribute without having organized societies, making a total of 107 churches contributing to our Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Four new societies have been organized this year; 34 send their money at least quarterly; 16 churches have a systematic presentation of Missions in the Sunday School. Forty-seven churches sent an offering through the Sunday School. Danielson is the only church in the State which has sent its money monthly.

The number of copies of *Missions* taken has not been well reported. Probably some 2000 are taken.

Forty churches have met their Woman's Home Mission apportionment. Thirty-four have exceeded their apportionment. And yet the State fell some $700 short of meeting its women's apportionment. We are hoping that this may be made up by extra gifts soon.

In February the State Director wrote to nearly every church in the state. She wished to become better acquainted with the women of the churches, learn their methods of working, how their money was raised, etc. Some 80 or 90 letters have been received in reply, the answers being very helpful. Later on, she will pass these letters on to her Associational Directors, so that they may have the benefit of them in their work.

In the Ashford Association the work has steadily progressed this year.

Many of the colored and foreign-speaking churches are in the Fairfield Association. Several new societies are hoped for another year.

Hartford Association has many hopeful features. The large city churches in this Association always do good work.

New Haven Association is at present without a Director, although we are hoping that the vacancy may soon be filled. It fell to the lot of the State Director to send out the blanks for the annual report. Twenty-three of the

37 blanks sent out were promptly returned, and the most of them were well filled out.

If only the societies could realize the need of answering all of the questions asked, I am sure they would do it and return the blanks promptly. The Associational Directors cannot make out their reports until the reports from the churches are received, and the State Director cannot make out her report until the reports are received from the Associational Directors. The correctness of the State Director's report all depends on the churches. The State Director wishes she might impress upon the minds of the women the necessity of doing their part. It is a little thing to do, but it would help so much.

The New London Association is doing good work. Some new societies have organized. Some churches have given this year that have never given before, or at least for years.

The Director of the Stonington Union Association has visited many of her churches this winter, and much good has resulted. The visits of Miss Isabel Crawford to a number of our Associations this winter were well attended and full of inspiration, and can but result in much good.

Your State Director has met her Associational Directors for consultation several times this year, and it was also her privilege to attend all but one of the Associational meetings. Although in almost every case the time given the women was shorter than ever, yet an unusual amount of interest was manifested, and they were all pronounced very helpful. It was a great inspiration to have the President of our Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, Mrs. Lester, of Chicago, with us at our State Convention meeting in October.

Considering the year, our outlook is very good. An advance has been made in the giving of organizations, although we have failed to meet our apportionment.

We trust that another year we may do more in the line of personal gifts, and realize as never before our personal responsibility, remembering that our Board depends upon us; that only as we do our part can our Board do its work.

CONNECTICUT

Young Women's State Director — MRS. W. T. THAYER, 39 Curtis Ave., Wallingford

Association.	Young Women's Directors.	No. of Young Women's Circles.	No. of Young Women's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Life Members in Young Women's Circles.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes and contributing to Home Missions.
Ashford	Miss Marion Storrs, 6 South St., Thompsonville	5	5	15	69	91	2	1
Fairfield	Miss Ada Bennett, 225 Lewis St., Bridgeport	2	2	23	47	54	2	3
Hartford	Miss Edith Braddock, 58 Church St., Hartford	4	4	12	4	100	4	4
New Haven	Miss Ethel M. Norton, 11 Myrtle St., Springfield, Mass.	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
New London	Miss Gustava F. Greene, 41 Bellevue Pl., New London	2	2	12	...	...	...	1
Stonington Union	...	2	2	...	20	20	1	...
	Totals	16	16	89	140	265	9	9

CONNECTICUT

Children's State Director — MRS. W. T. THAYER, 39 Curtis Ave., Wallingford

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Ashford	Miss Marion Storrs, 6 South St., Thompsonville	1	21	25	1	1	....	....
Hartford	Miss Edith Braddock, 58 Church St., Hartford	1	....	14	5	9	....	....
New Haven	Miss Ethel M. Norton, 11 Myrtle St. Springfield, Mass	4	....	226	5	5	2	77
New London	Miss Gustava F. Greene, 43 Bellevue Pl., New London	1	6	....	.....	.....	....	....
Fairfield	Miss Ada Bennett, 228 Lewis St., Bridgeport	....	....	....	2	3	1	16
Stonington Union	.....	....	....	....	3	4	1	30
	Totals	7	27	265	16	22	4	123

DELAWARE

State Director—MRS. J. M. HORN, "The Marion," Delaware Ave., Wilmington

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
No Associations	in State	12	8	3	....	9	8	....	.....	135	.....	7
	Totals	12	8	3	....	9	8	....	.....	135	.....	7

Having held the office of State Director for only six months, most of the time has been spent in learning conditions and getting acquainted, as far as possible with our Delaware women.

It has been my pleasure to present the work in three churches; one city church, and two of the churches in the lower part of the State.

In December, I spoke at the morning service of the Delmar church. A touching incident that day was the decision of the children of the Sunday School to forego the pleasure of Christmas candy and contribute the cost of same to Home Missions.

In Feburary I met with the Missionary Society of the Dover church and spent a delightful day there.

The work is being well presented in several of our Sunday Schools, and many are maintaining Home Mission Study classes. Some of the Junior Christian Endeavor Societies are also studying "In Red Man's Land."

Miss Isabel Crawford visited Wilmington in February. She gave a thrilling talk on her work in the Second Baptist church to a large audience.

With the aid of Miss Matthews, we hope to do good work next year. We will work to increase interest in all the churches and form new societies, especially among the young people.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

State Director—MISS KATE S. WHITE, 1711 P. St., Washington

Associations	Organized											
No Associations	in State.....	23	19	....	3322	856	11	4	8	289	7	4
	Totals.....	23	19	....	3322	856	11	4	8	289	7	4

The receipts since 1911 from the fourteen churches in the District of Columbia, which contribute to the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society show a steady increase, and have this year reached high water mark, notwithstanding we have not much more than held our own in the number of contributing societies. We have reached our apportionment of $1,350, and feel repaid for every struggle and sacrifice to this end.

The District of Columbia is middle ground with a broad outlook and large opportunities. In spite of the division of interest and consequent division of funds between the Northern and Southern Boards, the unity of purpose is inspiring, and possibly a little competition is not unwholesome.

Mrs. Westfall and Mrs. Magledon have at different times visited the city and brought inspiration with them.

The workers among the Italians and Chinese, inspired by our Miss Fraser are faithful and enthusiastic. The work for negroes grows apace, both at the National Training School and the social settlement known as "The Centre," and our Board's three missionaries, Miss Howell, Miss Walter and Miss Versa, are working with great interest. We are still blest in having Miss Jennie Peck's help in Washington; her heart is just as warm as ever, and her life is devoted to loving service.

We had the great favor in February of a visit from Miss Isabel Crawford, who stirred our hearts to greater interest in the work among the Indians by her vivid talks, and illustrated to us the power of a truly consecrated life.

Looking forward hopefully to the coming year we "give thanks and take courage."

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Young Women's State Director — MRS. JOHN E. HUHN, 423 6th St., N. E., Washington

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
No Associations in	the State	4	4	15	15	137	....	1
	Totals.....	4	4	15	15	137	....	1

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Children's State Director — MRS. JOHN E. HUHN, 423 6th St., N. E. Washington

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
No Associations in	State	3	18	60	2	.....	2	15
	Totals.....	3	18	60	2	.....	2	15

IDAHO

State Director — MRS. NETTIE R. CHIPP, 418 Thatch St., Boise

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
First.....	Mrs. C. Bowler, 1502 N. 12th St., Boise.....	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Central.....	.....	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
East.....	Mrs. George Paul, Box 186, Idaho Falls..		...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
	Totals.....	...		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....

* See page 12 for present State Directors.

ILLINOIS

State Director — MRS. J. D. LOUDERBACK, 6912 Eggleston Ave., Chicago

Aurora	Mrs. S. B. Wright, 250 W. Lake St., Aurora	20	13	1	925	387	9	....	....	130	4	3
Bloomington	Mrs. J. D. Crumley, Deer Creek	27	19	2	1778	602	14	....	....	200	7	9
Chicago	Mrs. E. C. Cromwell, 266 Dupage St., Elgin	76	66	....	5584	2402	37	....	....	1014	27	28
Dixon	Mrs. Edith Fox, 72 Grove St., Freeport	12	12	....	494	110	3	....	....	46	1	1
Gilman	Miss Emma Linden, 396 E. Court St.											
[illegible]	[illegible]											
	Princeton	18	8	....	523	178	3	....	....	67	1	1
[illegible]	Mrs. W. C. Ransford, Monmouth											
[illegible]	[illegible]											
Rock River	Mrs. C. M. Church, [illegible]	10	8	....	522	208	4	....	....	96	4	3
Salem	Mrs. Alfred Huey, Plymouth	20	10	....	585	220	4	....	....	69	4	1
[illegible]	[illegible]											
Bloomfield	Mrs. W. H. Beeby, 930 W. Green St., Urbana	32	9	....	1251	276	7	....	....	90	4	3
Central Illinois	Miss Mabel Steele, Havana											
[illegible]	[illegible]											
Jersey Co.	Jerseyville	24	8	....	416	94	2	....	....	28	....	1
[illegible]	[illegible]											
[illegible]	[illegible]											
Quincy	Mrs. F. A. [illegible], Kinderhook	....	6	....	446	104	2	....	....	45	2	1
Springfield	Mrs. John F. [illegible], 518 Main St., Taylorville	27	13	....	1450	390	8	....	....	160	2	4
Williamson	[illegible]	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Southern Illinois	Miss Nancy E. Browning, Benton	63	5	....	767	122	1	....	....	67	2	2
	Totals	426	211	6	18221	6055	108	....	....	2339	65	59

The women of Illinois have had a greater opportunity this past year than ever before. With their larger outlook surely there must come a greater love

for their sisters, that they may know of Him, who first taught love and sympathy for woman.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Baptist Mission Society was held on October 20, at Mt. Vernon.

The President, Mrs. Topping, gave as the topic for her message, "The Vision and the Task,"— our vision, to take in every Baptist Woman of the State, and the great work they can unitedly do for "Others;" our task, to make the other woman realize what missions mean and to make them willing to put "God's work first." Our slogan "God's work first" and we trust that as only a small part of the Convention year has gone by, in making our annual report next year, this slogan may have entered the heart of every Baptist woman in our state, so that we will not only report 108 societies as having raised their apportionment, but we may report every mission society as having done so.

We were more than pleased to see the large attendance of women at the woman's meeting in October; and all were enthusiastic and anxious to make our Woman's Work a success.

Too much praise can not be given to the people of Mt. Vernon for the hospitable manner in which we were entertained. Our women were made to feel more than welcome, and the women not only of the Baptist denomination, but of all denominations took a hand in making us welcome. A Home Mission banquet was held at the Methodist Church and after a bountiful repast served in a most delightful manner, Home Mission problems were discussed. Mrs. Fulmer, Mrs. Topping, Mrs. Barber, and others giving helpful answers.

Much praise must be given our faithful Directors, and our women in the churches. This has been a hard year for many, but nevertheless we report more mission societies and more copies of *Missions* taken. True not as many have met their apportionment, but our apportionment was larger than ever before.

Our report shows a greater number of Sunday Schools contributing to, and having a systematic presentation of Missions.

This past year more Associations report mid-year meetings, and they speak in great praise of them. We are looking forward to the time when all will report holding them.

In attending the Associational meetings it has been a great source of satisfaction to hear how the programs are planned. Some churches plan for the year, others plan from month to month, so that if out of town speakers come, they may be secured. One fine thing noted has been the thought and care placed on the devotional part of the service fitting it right in with the program of the day.

We are more than pleased to report the added increase in Mission Study Classes and many societies report taking up the study book "New America." Some also report having studied, "In Red Man's Land" and still others "Missionary Women and the Social Question."

During the past year five young women of Illinois graduated from the Training School and four have enrolled so far this year.

We feel assured that under the efficient leadership of Dr. W. P. Behan, as President, and with the sympathy and co-operation of the Baptist women of Illinois, the school will continue to be the leading school for the training of Christian workers.

We regret exceedingly the moving away of some of our faithful Directors, and we only can say, "God bless thee, and keep thee," as they go to other fields. We are more than pleased with the earnest women who have undertaken the work of those who have gone away.

Mrs. S. C. Fulmer, as General Worker in Illinois has done a splendid work. She attended most of the Associational meetings speaking at one or more sessions and giving a most helpful message each time. She also has visited different churches and societies in Springfield, Central Illinois, Peoria, Quincy, Morgan Scott and Green Jersey Associations.

Indiana sisters of Illinois we will keep our slogan, "God's work first," ever before us, and we will widen our vision, and use our opportunity to give the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our sisters all over our land.

ILLINOIS

Young Women's State Director — MRS. HARVEY A. BUSH, 700 Bowen Ave., Chicago

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home M[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	16	16	....	....	....	....	1
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	1	....	....	....	....	.....
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	....	6	2	....	....	2
Alton	Mrs. W. W. Rainey, Litchfield	4	4	24	4	40	4	.....
Rock Island	Mrs. [illegible]	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
[illegible]	Mrs. J. H. Sheesley, Orion	2	2	12	1	22	....	....
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	1	6	....	10	1	1
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	1	6	6	35	....	3
[illegible]	Miss [illegible]	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
[illegible]	[illegible]	4	4	....	....	....	....	.....
[illegible]	Total	26	25	52	19	158	2	7

ILLINOIS

Children's State Director — MRS. HARVEY A. BUSH, 700 Bowen Ave., Chicago

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of M[illegible]	No. of S.S. [illegible] presentation of Home M[illegible] sions in [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Alton	Mrs. W. W. Rainey, Litchfield	4	....	....	.....	.....	4	70
Rock Island	Mrs. J. H. Sheesley, Orion	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Springfield	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chicago	[illegible]	3	[illegible]	16	1	1	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Total	6	[illegible]	16	2	2	4	70

With the aid of my splendid Associational Directors, Mrs. Rainey, Mrs. Sheesley and Miss Kirby, I feel the Young Women's Missionary Societies of Illinois have done good work the past year. Three churches in Alton united in organizing a union Young Women's Missionary Society, a new society at Gifford, Illinois, and one at Highland. Four new societies have been organized in the Chicago Association.

The Illinois Young Women have been trying to support Miss Bernice Foulke, their missionary among the Kiowa Indians and the Chicago Association, Miss Adell Martin, their missionary at Porto Rico.

We have two new Associational Directors in view and hope they will be added to our list of workers soon.

INDIANA

State Director — MRS. J. F. FRASER, 411 S. Jefferson St. Muncie

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Bedford	Mrs. Harriet Lemon, 1226 15th St., Bedford	16	3	6	639	164	1	1	2	22	2	....
Bethel	Mrs. Ida Brown, Borden	8	2	2	422	60	2	....	2	24	.....	5
Brownstown	.....	14	4	7	660	164	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Central	Mrs. H. H. Bushong, 2021 Ashland Ave., Indianapolis	22	17	14	2851	758	12	3	12	231	6	4
Coffee Creek	Mrs. Esther Murphy, Scotsburg	21	4	6	182	80	4	....	.....	12	.....	1
Curry's Prairie	Mrs. C. R. Parker, 329 S. 6th St., Terre Haute	25	9	10	1083	136	8	1	3	47	1	1
Evansville	Miss Antoinette Anthony, 111 S. Kentucky Ave., Evansville	15	4	7	310	105	5	1	3	54	1	3
Flat Rock	Mrs. J. W. Ferguson, 121 S. 15th St., Richmond	26	8	10	1193	201	8	....	7	176	2	1
Fort Wayne	Mrs. E. E. Morgan, 342 E. Washington St., Fort Wayne	18	11	11	1111	256	8	2	6	84	3	2
Freedom	Mrs. A. C. Deere, Waveland	24	9	14	577	237	8	3	6	98	5	14
Friendship	Mrs. W. W. Vandeventer, Spencer	28	4	4	415	126	4	1	1	34	1	....
Harmony	Mrs. G. G. Manning, 220 W. 12th St., Anderson	22	9	9	596	315	5	1	4	134	5	4
Indianapolis	Mrs. F. W. Weise, Cumberland	8	...	5	504	197	3	....	.....	....	.....	1
Johnson County	Miss Frances Dean, Franklin	10	5	4	163	30	5	1	3	72	1	1
Judson	Mrs. L. H. McIlwain Lebanon	27	6	6	307	168	4	1	3	62	4	2
Laughery	Miss Edith Daughters, Moore's Hill	16	11	16	952	244	8	3	1	48	2	3
Logansport	Mrs. Reba Smith, Mentone	21	10	15	1650	565	8	....	5	112	4	3
Long Run	Miss May E. Danner, Moorefield	17	3	4	12	49	....	....	.....	1	.....	1
Madison	Mrs. Frank Lee, W. Main St., Madison	16	5	5	399	127	4	2	3	34	2	2
Monticello	Mrs. C. L. Constable, Goodland	11	5	5	294	85	5	....	2	42	4	2
Mt. Zion	.....	13	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Noble-La Grange	Mrs. Corliss Stoler, Topeka	7	...	....	....	....	2	....	.....	7	2	....
Northern	Mrs. Kittie Hewes Roberts, 101 Lincolnway, La Porte	14	11	13	1748	499	9	2	7	137	3	3
Orleans	Mrs. A. T. McCoy, Mitchell	13	6	8	104	98	6	....	6	23	2	1
Perry County	.....	8	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Salamonie	Mrs. Will Smith, 128 E. Wiley, Bluffton	12	6	5	1006	158	4	4	5	59	1	1
Sand Creek	Mrs. Mattie Mulvey, North Vernon	17	7	10	687	194	6	3	4	25	1	2
Tippecanoe	Mrs. R. D. Moore, 1620 N. 12th, La Fayette	11	9	10	932	171	9	3	6	55	3	4
Union	Mrs. Victoria Lucas, Sandborn	22	13	17	906	314	7	2	9	100	5	3
White Lick	Mrs. Mabel McCormick, Clayton	21	6	17	621	245	5	....	4	44	1	....
	Totals	503	187	230	20324	5746	150	34	104	1737	61	64

Having been State Director only since the first of the year my report is of necessity brief. These months have been busy ones in so much as I have had to become acquainted not only with the work but with all the Associational Directors. I have endeavored to get into touch with all societies to urge upon them a more strenuous effort than ever before to meet not only their apportionment but to do their very best.

Indiana has felt the financial depressions keenly so it is not to be wondered at that not so many societies are reported as having met their apportionments especially since nearly all were increased this year. It is gratifying however, that more women and girls are giving to the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society; that about 400 more are taking *Missions*, and that more Sunday Schools are having the mission cause presented systematically and consequently over twice as many have given to the work of our society.

The spring conferences have been very helpful and a fine interest has been evident.

Mrs. S. C. Fulmer has given the new Director most valuable assistance and by her talks at conferences, associations, in churches and with individual women has done much to increase the efficiency of our societies.

Miss Helen Crissman, secretary for Young Women's work, was in the State during March and wherever she went she carried inspiration and joy. We earnestly hope that she may return for another visit ere long.

Miss Crawford, the irresistible, has attended a few conferences and as always has proven herself a whole host.

I would not close this report without a word of appreciation of the Associational Directors, who have worked so faithfully and of our State Society, which is proving itself of inestimable value in helping our State up to a higher level of missionary zeal.

INDIANA

Young Women's State Director — MISS LENA C. BRUNER, 459 E. Jefferson St., Franklin

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Bedford	Miss Alice Morgan, Bedford	1	1	12	6	25	....	3
Central	Miss Laneta McCabe, 114 Drexel Av. Indianapolis	5	4	5	31	65	....	6
Fort Wayne	Miss Avajean Kincade, 1111 State St. Fort Wayne	2	1	1	5	....	4	4
Harmony		2	1	....	....	....	....	.....
Freedom	Miss Dott Rusk, Brown's Valley	2	1	....	....	....	....	.....
Logansport	Miss Helen Beatty, 130 W. Linden St., Logansport	2	2	7	3	....	7	
Brownstown	Miss Agnes Cobb, Seymour	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Bethel		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Coffee Creek		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Curry's Prairie	Miss Maud Workman, 435 Willow St., Terre Haute	1	1	....	....	....	....	1
Evansville	Miss Cora Martin, 320 Jefferson Ave., Evansville	1	1	....	....	....	....	.....
Flat Rock		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Friendship	Miss Stella Thrasher, R. R. 3, Bloomington	2	2	....	....	....	....	1
Indianapolis		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Johnson County	Miss Frances Dean, Franklin	1	1	5	....	25	....	2
Judson	Miss Jessie Landes, Flora	2	2	21	50	42	....	3
Laughery	Miss Jeannette Baker, Aurora	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Long Run		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Madison	Miss Blanche Ryker, 411 W. 3d St., Madison	2	1	....	....	....	....	.....
Monticello	Miss Ruth Dame, Monon	3	3	....	....	....	....	.....
Mt. Zion		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Noble-LaGrange	Mrs. C. A. Stoler, Topeka	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Northern	Miss Florence Scott, 1409 S. 8th St., Goshen	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Orleans		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Perry County	Miss Susie Van Winkle, Bristow	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Salamonie	Mrs. J. M. Lehman, 418 E. Gilbert St., Muncie	2	2	12	4	55	....	6
Sand Creek	Miss Fay Huntington, North Vernon	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Tippecanoe	Miss Waneta Deer, 415 S. Washington St., Crawfordsville	6	5	14	8	40	....	6
Union	Mrs. Carrie Reeve, Edwardsport	3	3	....	....	....	....	.....
White Lick	Miss Jennie L. Strain, Box 208, Greencastle	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
	Totals	37	31	77	107	252	11	32

INDIANA

Children's State Director — MISS LENA C. BRUNER, 459 E. Jefferson St., Franklin

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of [illegible]	No. of [illegible]	No. of [illegible]	No. of [illegible]	No. of [illegible]	No. of Baby Bands
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	Miss Laneta McCabe, 114 Drexel Ave., Indianapolis	1	2	15	1	1	....	....
[illegible]	[illegible]	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
[illegible]	Miss Jeannette Baker, Aurora	2	....	....	....	....	....	....
[illegible]	Miss Ruth Dame, Monon	....	....	....	....	....	....	
[illegible]	Miss Fay Huntington, North Vernon	....	....	....	....	....	....	
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]				1	1		
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]	....	....	....	....	....	....	
[illegible] Prairie	Miss Maud Workman, 435 Willow St., Terre Haute	4	52	28	1	1	1	30
Evansville	Miss Cora Martin, 320 Jefferson Ave., Evansville	1	....	....	2	....	....	
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	....	[illegible]	1	[illegible]	1	
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	St., Madison	....	....	....	....	....	....	
[illegible]	[illegible]	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
[illegible]	Mrs. C. A. Stoler, Topeka	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
[illegible]	Miss Florence Scott, 1409 So. 8th St [illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				
Salamonie	Mrs. J. M. Lehman, 418 E. Gilbert St., Muncie	1	10	28	1	1	1	
Tippecanoe	Miss Waneta Deer, 415 S. Washington St., Crawfordsville	2	17	55	1	1	1	13
[illegible]	Mrs. Carrie Reeve, Edwardsport	[illegible]						
White Lick	Miss Jennie L. Strain, Box, 208, Green Castle	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
	Totals	16	91	164	9	8	4	43

I enclose the reports of our work in Indiana, not especially good, but at least a beginning.

Before August 1, 1914, when I began my actual work, 9 Associational Directors (Joint) had been appointed. Since then I have secured 13, making 22 at the present time, and there are 30 Associations. Of the 24 Young Woman's Mission Societies reported, 5 have been organized since August 1. Of the 16 Children's Mission Societies, 4 were in existence before August 1, but I do not know about the others. From August 1 to October 20, I attended

13 Associations, spoke at each one, also at 2 Sunday Schools, and wrote 114 letters and cards; October 21 to December 31, I wrote 43 letters and cards; January 1 to March 31, 46 letters and cards.

I believe the work is progressing; I am not at all discouraged, for I realize that the beginnings are necessarily small. I have been handicapped by being out of the state, for I returned in October to my school work in the Gordon Bible Institute of Boston, where I hope to graduate next month. I expect to be in Franklin by the middle of June, and I plan to remain at home next winter, giving attention more fully to this work.

Our young women are to have missionary conferences during the Indiana Baptist Assembly which is to be held in Franklin the last week in August. Mrs. Wells is to lead a study class, open to all women, and I am to conduct special conferences for the young women.

IOWA

State Director — MRS. G. F. REINKING, 1124 University Ave., Des Moines

	DIRECTORS.											
[illegible]												
Central	Mrs. A. C. Hauger, 1919 E. 9th St., Des Moines	19	10	2	1678	....	8	3	3	217	5	5
Cedar Valley	Mrs. F. May Tuttle, [illegible]	24	17	6	2629	....	23	3	3	124	3	3
[illegible]	Mrs. M. Wakefield, [illegible]	19	7	5	742	....	11	8	3	53	2	3
Northern	Mrs. W. J. Fennell, [illegible] Webster City	18	11		788	....	11	1	3	71	1	
Burlington	Mrs. [illegible] Mercer, 918 S. [illegible], Burlington	13	11	1	675	153	11	5	2	90	2	1
Southern Iowa	Mrs. [illegible], Albia	24	11	4	1077		12	6	1	46		4
Davenport	Mrs. [illegible] A. Mercer, [illegible] Grand Ave., Davenport	8	5	1	1000	....	4	....	3	101	2	2
Washington	Mrs. [illegible] Lane, West Chester	11	8	3	463	109	9	4	2	40	1	5
Danish-Norwegian		11	10	1	600	275	11	....	....	33	....	1
South Western	Mrs. H. A. [illegible], [illegible]	17	8	2	1442	107	8	4	2	46	1	4
Keokuk	Mrs. G. L. Atkinson, R. I. Hillsboro	11	4	4	688	139	5	3	2	23	....	1
Oskaloosa	Mrs. H. E. [illegible], [illegible] Reid St., Ottumwa	16	7	5	960	283	10	2	1	47	4	4
Murray	Mrs. W. E. Darrow, Mt. Ayr	7	4		[illegible]		4	[illegible]	1	[illegible]		1
Iowa (Negro) Cedar Rapids	Mrs. W. F. Garrett, 340 7th Av. W., C. Rapids	15	6	2	1212	....	5	3	2	62	2	4
Des Moines-Western	Mrs. Emma C. Meyers, Denison	32	14	9	1773	....	20	7	6	116	5	3
Dubuque	Mrs. Nettie Zimmerman, Hazelton	17	...	14	800	....	7	6	6	....	....	3
East Grand River	Mrs. Lottie Stuteville, Davis City	7	...	1	250	....	1	1	....	....	....	....
East Nodaway	Mrs. L. A. Osburn, Bedford	13	7	....	800	....	4	2	2	....	2	2
English River		11	4	....	400	....	2	..				
Fox River	Mrs. J. W. Miller, Route 2, Bloomfield	13	1	7	377	....	7	1	....	12	....	....
Swedish	Miss Florence Johnson, Kiron	14	5	1	534	125	....	....	....	21	1	6
German	Mrs. Rebecca M. Bohstedt, Victor	...	.		.	..	..	..	..	..	.	..
	Totals	352	150	69	19290	1281	173	60	42	1128	31	51

It is with thankfulness and praise to God that I send my third annual report, and although it is disappointing in some ways, there is reason for encouragement in other ways. A few more churches met their apportionments this year than last, although only a few more than half of the churches

in the state did so this year. There is a large increase in the number of Societies who sent their money quarterly. I am sorry there were less reports of Sunday Schools having systematic presentation of missions this year. However, I am led to believe that this report is inaccurate from the fact that more Sunday Schools report having made contributions to our work than last year.

Iowa has a band of earnest Associational Directors whose hearts are consecrated to the work of the Master. We are trusting God for a better year coming. Miss Ina Shaw, our Secretary of the Middle West District, visited most of the Associational gatherings last summer, and won her way to the hearts of all who met her. Mrs. L. M. Newell, our General Worker, spent the latter part of January, February and part of March, visiting the churches in Southern Iowa, organizing new societies and enthusing the societies which she visited. I attended one Association and one mid-year Missionary Rally in the interests of woman's missionary work. I have visited six churches and delivered a missionary address at each place. I also attended the Iowa Baptist Convention last fall.

IOWA

Young Women's State Director — MRS. E. M. JEFFERS, 249 S. Ward St., Ottumwa

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Central								
Danish-Norwegian		4	3	21	5	32	1	
Northern	Miss Grace Fleming, Humboldt							
South Western	Miss Verna Sample, Shenandoah	2	2	22	3	35	2	
Cedar Rapids		2	2	12				
Burlington	Miss Lucile Bowling, Mediapolis							
Swedish		1	1	6	10			1
Davenport		2	2	18	37	36		
Cedar Valley		3	3	6				
Des Moines-Western	Mrs. Gertrude Satterwhite, Perry	4	4	15	5	37		
Dubuque	Miss Helen Litz, 366–5th Ave., Dubuque	2		18	7	15		3
East Nodaway								
Fox River	Mrs. Fred McMain, Bloomfield							
Oskaloosa		1		6	1			
Southern	Mrs. R. S. Lewis, Russell	1	1					
Washington	Miss Bessie Jones, Washington	1	1	30	8		1	
East Grand River								
English River								
Keokuk								
Murray	Miss Mabel Dendunent, Lorimor							
Sioux Valley								
	Totals	23	19	154	76	155	4	4

The closing weeks of the fiscal year have been marked by sadness. The death of brother and sister and absence from home have made the usual aggressive final effort of the year almost impossible.

My first thought in submitting this report was to omit totals as the items in some instances have been gathered from other sources than the return blanks. Reports have not all been returned. At this writing we do not

know our financial returns for the year. We anticipate as good returns from our young women, but a general falling off as the co-operation of the Baptist Young People's Union has been discouraged by some and your Director has confirned her efforts to the young women in missionary Societies, organized classes and those outside these organizations. In churches where there is no organization, we have sought for a key worker to serve as a channel for information, information and co-operation. Some of our societies and classes are giving to missions but through the general department instead of the women's. We await a fixed policy from our Boards for our young women's [illegible]t. In two of our churches where there have been two young woman's missionary societies, a union of these has been formed.

Numerous letters and cards together with nearly 500 pages of literature including pencil sketches of our young lady missionaries, Miss Mabel Young, El Cristo, Cuba, and Miss Mary Parish, Mandalay, Burma, have been sent out in the interests of the work.

A great deal of information has been gathered concerning our organized classes in the Sunday School which we believe will prove most helpful in the work of the new year.

It has been the privilege of the Director to attend several meetings of the Board during the [illegible] Convention. Attendance at the State Council and the State Sunday School Assembly presented special opportunities for furthering the interests of this department, as well as opportunities to address five meetings on other occasions.

Some of our young women are planning in the coming year to visit other [illegible] and interest young women—[illegible] We hope during the coming year with the co-operation of college counselors to secure assistance from our student volunteers and young women in preparation for work on the home field.

The observation of Daughter's Day has been urged and reports have come from [illegible] Societies of Kiron, Muscatine and Harlan continue to lead all others. We have been looking forward to and nothing more glad to hold out to [illegible] our associational workers. It is thought that the Women's and Junior Associational Directors will be present at these. We anticipate several changes in Associational workers. It has been found difficult to find those who will feel responsibility in pushing this work. In the event of a clearly defined policy for our state work, we feel that a federation of the Young Women's societies and communication through correspondence will help us to make the work of the Young Women's department in this splendid State more nearly what it should be. We are already planning for get together meetings at the State Sunday School Assembly and State Convention.

IOWA

Children's State Director — MISS MARY P. DENNY, Box 323, Council Bluffs

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Central		5	....	300	3	3	....	....
Northern		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Southwestern		4	....	100	3	3	....	1
Dubuque		2	....	50	2	2	....	....
Sioux Valley		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
East Nodaway		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Burlington		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Danish		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Centerville		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Cedar Rapids		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Des Moines-Western		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Murray		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Southern		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Davenport		2	....	50	2	2	....	....
	Totals	13	....	500	10	10	....	1

Heaven has grown very near to us this year as the portal opened wide for the Home-going of our beloved father Colonel William N. Denny. He loved the children and was an inspiration to us in all our work; working with us with his prayers and gifts. He was a brother of Mrs. Reuben E. Jeffery, so long the leader of our work in Indiana. It is difficult to take up the threads of work again. But we have heard the word of the Master: "All things are possible," and, "Out of weakness thou art made strong."

I have given the story of missions to the children of the state in letters and missionary sketches. There has been much increased interest in the Sunday Schools of the state.

The children of the Primary Department of the Forest Avenue Church, Des Moines, lead the children of the state in their support of a child in our Cuban mission; and the children of Dubuque have been zealous little workers for our Chinese kindergartners.

KANSAS

State Director — MRS. G. W. CASSIDY, 1203 Wichita St., Wichita

Auxiliary	Directions	No. of Circles	No. of Societies	No. of Churches contributing	No. of Women and Girls	No. contributing to W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have Mission Study Classes	No. of Societies which have Mission Study Classes, Text Books	No. of Societies which have Mission Study Classes, Mission Study Classes, Text Books	No. of Members	No. of Churches represented in the present membership	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Arkansas Valley	Mrs. Jane Fair, Raymond, R. F. D. 1.	22	7	8	180	90	4	1	1	40	1	1
Blue Valley	Mrs. John F. McKee, Marysville, R. F. D. 1.	12	5	6	141	60	3		2	17		....
Central	Mrs. W. O. Carey, Belleville	10	8	9	211	110	4		4	44	1	2
Chisholm	Mrs. S. B. Barber, Harper	22	2	4	80	57	1		1	11		....
Fall River	Mrs. B. F. Parker, New Albany	18	4	4	147	75	4		1	15		....
Fort Scott	....	22	2	....	....	101	1	1	1	30	1	1
German	Mrs. Henry Schacht, Lorraine	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Jewell	Mrs. Wanda Prowant, South Center	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Kansas City Churches	Mrs. Paul McGee, 206 N. 23rd St., Kansas City	16	7	8	180	146	3	2	4	42	3	5
Kansas River	Mrs. J. S. Gebhart, 456 Freeman, Topeka.	18	5	6	197	234	4	2	3	60	1	3
Miami	Mrs. Addie Deering, Osawatomie	26	4	3	300	116	4	....	2	100		2
Missouri River	Mrs. C. H. McDuff, 839 So. 5th St., Atchison	17	3	2	187	90	3	....	1	40	1	1
Ninnescah	Mrs. Fred Peterson, Goddard	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
North East	Miss Alice Boomer, Fairview	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Oberlin	Mrs. T. A. McMullen, Oberlin	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Republican Valley	Mrs. John McKee, Clay Center	9	6	6	352	70	1	....	6	49	....	1
Solomon Valley	Mrs. Lewis Pickrell, Minneapolis	10	3	4	100	57	2	....	2	4	....	....
South Central	Mrs. Edith Simonds, Protection	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
South East	Mrs. H. M. Upham, 405 W. 11th St., Coffeyville	26	9	....	801	224	7	1	6	77	2	2
South West	Miss Maude A. Saunders, Liberal	10	6	4	....	....	3	....	....	10	4	3
Swedish	Mrs. Fred East, 416 Clay St., Topeka.	19	8	8	193	146	2	....	....	5	....	3
Upper Solomon Valley	Mrs. Cora Miles Hunter, Russell	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wakeeney	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Walnut Valley	Mrs. B. Maud Drew, 426 S. Elizabeth, Wichita	34	12	13	1234	392	9	....	7	119	4	2
West Central	Mrs. Irma Fallis, Dickinson, Dighton	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
	Totals	298	86	79	6034	2054	57	7	39	706	22	26

I am mailing my report to you this morning. I would be so glad if it was more complete but this is all that has been sent in. If I remain in this work it will be one of my chief aims to help our women to see the need of reporting the work done with more accuracy. I am quite sure much has been done that we have no way of showing upon paper.

KANSAS

Young Woman's State Director — MISS MAUDE A. SAUNDERS, Liberal

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Arkansas Valley	Mrs. R. H. Hammond, Hutchison							
Blue Valley								
Central	Mrs. James M. Powell, Salina							
Chicaskia								
Fall River	Mrs. R. W. Settles, Neodesha							
Fort Scott	Miss Ella Ball, Iola							
Jewell								
Kansas River	Mrs. J. P. Blackledge, Council Grove							
Miami								
Missouri River	Mrs. Ray York, Kansas City							
Ninnescah	Miss Anna Krauss, Sedgwick, R. F. D.							
North East	Mrs. M. E. Wasser, Horton							
Oberlin	Mrs. T. A. McMullin, Oberlin							
Republican Valley	Mrs. P. L. Swenson, Clay Center							
Solomon Valley								
South Central								
South East	Miss Mary E. Canfield, Parsons							
South Western	Miss Maude Saunders, Liberal							
Upper Solomon Valley								
West Central	Miss Thulma Moore, Scott City							
Wakeeney								
Walnut Valley	Miss Zada Lister, Cedarvale							
	Totals							

KANSAS

Children's State Director — MISS MAUDE A. SAUNDERS, Liberal

ASSOCIATIONAL	CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR	No. of Children's Organizations	No. of Meetings	No. of Members	No. of S.S. Mission Study Classes	No. of S.S. Home Mission Study and Junior Primary Departments	No. of Baby Bands	No. of members Baby Bands
Arkansas Valley	Mrs. E. H. [illegible], [illegible]							
Blue Valley								
Central	Mrs. James M. [illegible]							
Cimarron								
Flint Hills	Mrs. G. W. [illegible]							
Golden Belt	Miss [illegible]							
Jewell								
Kansas River	Mrs. J. F. [illegible], [illegible]							
Marais des Cygnes								
Marshall Pony	Mrs. Ray R. York, Kansas City							
Neosho	Miss Anna Kenny, [illegible]							
North East	Mrs. M. E. Wagner, [illegible]							
Oberlin	Mrs. J. A. McMurray, [illegible]							
Republican Valley	Mrs. [illegible], Clay Center							
Solomon Valley								
South Central								
South East	Miss Mary E. [illegible], Parsons							
South Western	Miss Maude Saunders, Liberal							
Upper Arkansas Valley								
West Central	Miss Thulma Moore, Scott City							
Wakarusa								
Walnut Valley	Miss Zada Lister, Cedarvale							
Totals								

As we review the year's work among the Young Women and Children of Kansas we lift our hearts in gratitude for the growing interest and the progress made. Mission study classes are becoming more popular and many new societies have been organized, which we believe will bring much fruit the coming years. Miss Marie Norgaard, of Tucson Arizona, our "adopted missionary" visited our state during the summer and her splendid appeal and personality have done much to interest our young people and bring them in personal touch with the work. The past year has been a somewhat difficult one owing to the long vacancy made by the sickness and resignation of our efficient Director, Mrs. Chas. G. West, but Mrs. G. W. Cassidy, although new in the work as Director, is doing a praiseworthy service and the indications are for advance along all lines the coming year. We regret not to be able to send a statistical report, but the Associational reports are so incomplete and inadequate that we think it not advisable.

MAINE

State Director — MRS. RUFUS LAMSON, 785 Congress St., Portland

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Aroostook.....	Mrs. Hattie M. Dunn, 54 High St., Houlton	21	7	8	377	172	7	2	4	34	1	3
Bowdoinham...	Mrs. W. H. Thomas, 137 Nichols St., Lewiston	24	10	5	430	100	10	3	.....	94	2	3
Cumberland...	Mrs. Rufus Lamson, 785 Congress St., Portland.....	20	8	7	1439	489	10	3	5	168	3	11
Damariscotta..	Mrs. Estella J. Winslow, Nobleboro.....	12	5	3	327	187	6	2	4	49	2	3
Hancock.....	Mrs. Angie S. Dority, Sargentville.....	21	4	6	259	193	6	2	1	23	1	4
Kennebec.....	Mrs. F. B. Philbrick, 20 College Ave. Waterville.....	18	7	1	660	348	6	....	.....	101	3	5
Lincoln.....	Mrs. Ella M. Caler (acting) Warren.....	25	9	4	715	....	5	....	5	139	3	7
Oxford.....	Miss Lucelia C. Morton, South Paris.....	16	8	7	901	146	5	2	2	85	3	8
Penobscot.....	Miss Ida J. Brown, 53 Court St., Bangor	23	7	2	686	300	8	1	4	106	2	6
Piscataquis....	Mrs. P. M. Libby, Box 561, Dexter.....	13	5	4	427	149	4	1	3	22	1	....
Washington....	Miss Geneva A. Plummer, Box 96, Harrington	20	4	7	142	74	3	2	.....	33	.....	....
York.....	Mrs. E. E. Blake, 75 North St., Saco...	10	9	....	296	172	8	1	2	92	.....	5
	Totals.....	223	83	54	6659	2330	78	19	30	946	21	55

The Baptist women of Maine have closed another year of service in His name. Each year we realize more fully that Maine is a big state and it takes both time and money to travel over its territory in promoting the work of our Woman's Home Mission Society. Much of the work must therefore be done by correspondence and the women have responded finely to leadership. Our society was represented this year at each of the twelve Associational gatherings by Mrs. A. B. Upham of Boston.

Our financial record must be better this year than last although results have not yet been fully reported.

More churches have met their increased apportionment than last year. Nine new societies are reported and more churches without societies have contributed to our treasury. Quarterly or Semi-Annual payments have been more general. Two hundred new subscribers to *Missions* are reported. Through special efforts on the part of the Director for work among young women and children fourteen more Sunday Schools have sent in offerings for our work.

Our Directors are faithful and deserve credit for the results accomplished and the State Director gladly acknowledges her indebtedness to them.

The resignations of two Associational Directors have been received with

regret and two new directors have been appointed. At present two Associations are without leaders.

We realize that the success of our work depends largely upon the faithful women in our churches who respond to the many appeals for help. We cannot help thinking of the large number of Baptist women who are taking no part in this special service. We must strive to interest them that they may help others.

In all our hearts may there be —

"Gratitude for the Backlook,
Courage for the Outlook,
Leisure for the Inlook,
Love for the Uplook."

MAINE — (Eastern)

Young Women's State Director —

Associations	Young Women's Directors.	No. of Young Women's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Standard of Efficiency Societies.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying Home Missions.
President	Miss Carrie E. Baker, 500 French St., Bangor							
Kennebec	Miss M. F. Morse, 19 Western Ave., Waterville							
Aroostook	Mrs. C. C. Koch, Mar's Hill							
Hancock	Miss Harriet H. Coles, Sedgwick							
Piscataquis								
Washington	Miss Geneva A. Plummer, Box 96 Harrington	1	1				1	
	Totals	1	1				1	

MAINE — (Eastern)

Children's State Director —

Associations.	Children's Directors	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S. S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S. S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of Recruits of Baby Bands.
Penobscot	Miss Carrie E. Rowe, 500 French St., Bangor							
Kennebec	Miss M. F. Morse, 19 Western Ave., Waterville							
Aroostook	Mrs. C. C. Koch, Mar's Hill							
Hancock	Miss Harriet H. Coles, Sedgwick							
Piscataquis								
Washington	Miss Geneva A. Plummer, Box 96 Harrington	2	6	90	3	5		
	Totals	2	6	90	3	5		

MAINE — (Western)

Young Women's State Director — MRS. H. W. NOYES, 81 Spruce St., Portland

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Cumberland	Miss Gertrude E. Morse, 85 Brentwood St., Woodfords	4	4	18	58	207	....	2
Bowdoinham	Mrs. A. A. Walsh, Curtis Corner	1	....	6	....	10	....	.....
Damariscotta	Miss A. Louise Stetson, Damariscotta	....	1	....	13	24	....	.....
Lincoln	Mrs. Boyd Caler, Warren	2	2	24	3	20	3	2
Oxford	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
York	Mrs. Thomas Cain, Kennebunkport	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
	Totals	7	7	48	74	261	3	4

MAINE — (Western)

Children's State Director — MRS. H. W. NOYES, 81 Spruce St., Portland

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Bowdoinham	Mrs. A. A. Walsh, Curtis Corner	2	12	20	.....	6	2	45
Cumberland	Miss Gertrude E. Morse, 85 Brentwood St., Woodfords	7	16	145	.....	6	....	....
Damariscotta	Miss A. Louise Stetson, Damariscotta	2	....	27	.....	.....	1	8
Lincoln	Mrs. Boyd Caler, Warren	2	9	52	.....	.....	1	15
Oxford	.....	1	12	8	.....	.....	....	....
York	Mrs. Thomas Cain, Kennebunkport	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
	Totals	14	49	252	.....	12	4	68

MASSACHUSETTS — (Eastern)

State Director — MRS. EMERSON R. CHRISTOPHER, 39 Pine St., Wellesley Hills

Auxiliary	Director	No. of Churches	No. of Societies	No. of Societies uniting with Churches	No. of Women in the Auxiliary	No. contributing to W.A.B.H.M.S.	No. of Societies raised the apportionment	No. of Societies exceeded their apportionment	No. of Societies forwarded Duplicate Reports	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of Children's systematic presentation of Home Missions	No. of Societies contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Barnstable	Mrs. George H. Luce, West Tisbury	16	17	1	222	32	2	....	....	68	2	1
Boston North	[illegible]	0	19	2	[illegible]	[illegible]	12	3	12	703	9	17
Boston South	Mrs. H. L. Gunnison, [illegible]	23	17	1	2429	492	9	2	12	393	8	9
Boston East	[illegible]	34	23	1	2869	809	13	4	12	513	7	16
Boston West	[illegible]	25	20	....	2180	700	9	1	8	378	6	9
Framingham	Newton Centre	13	11	....	758	252	4	....	1	166	3	6
Merrimac River	Mrs. May S. Evans, [illegible]	24	9	1	1138	435	5	3	3	328	3	7
Old Colony	Mrs. George W. Dobbins, 2 Columbia Park, [illegible]	19	12	3	1401	622	12	3	7	177	2	12
Salem	Mrs. Byron A. Bailey, [illegible]	25	16	1	2871	937	3	2	5	393	11	7
Taunton	Mrs. Ellery L. Rogers, [illegible] Manchester	22	14	1	1486	636	7	....	4	221	2	8
	Mrs. [illegible] [illegible] 139 Forest St., Fall River	224	158	11	20391	7299	76	18	64	3335	53	92
	Totals											

Another year in the history of our Society has closed its door. If we have left anything undone it is too late to do it now. As we enter the new year let us remember that although God has chosen to overcome the world with feeble instruments, His followers must use all the strength and wisdom He will give them.

Mrs. Luce, Director of Barnstable Association, feels that her churches need to get together more often and to feel their relation to the larger work. How to meet these needs is one of her problems.

Mrs. Tufts has directed the work in Boston North for several years. This Association reports more copies of Missions taken than any other in Eastern Massachusetts and more Sunday Schools contributing to our work and more have a systematic presentation of *Missions*.

Mrs. Gunnison still faithfully directs the work in Boston South. She writes that more of her churches are studying *Missions* than ever before, and the outlook is bright.

Mrs. Pease of Boston East reports good work being done and wonders if our greatest need is not prayer.

Mrs. Varney of Boston West regrets that more copies of *Missions* are not taken, but reports some advance this year.

Although Framingham is a small Association, Mrs. Evans reports 11 contributing churches out of 16 and that one church without a Society meets its apportionment. Marlboro is the banner church with 152 contributors out of 218 women and girls.

Mrs. Dobbins who directs Merrimac River, wishes more of their women would subscribe for and read *Missions*. One of the needs is "Systematic presentation of *Missions* in the Sunday School."

Mrs. Bailey, Director of Old Colony Association, thinks they need a change of Director. Listen — Old Colony has the largest percentage of churches that met their apportionment, also of Sunday Schools contributing to our work.

Mrs. Rogers, of Salem Association, has worked faithfully to bring her churches up to the standard, but is a little discouraged because money raised for our Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society was used for other objects. One of the topics for her next basket meeting is "Diverted Funds". We trust a word to the wise will be sufficient.

Mrs. Wood, of Taunton Association, thinks our greatest need is more interested women and definite prayer for specific work.

As we have carefully gone over the reports, while we realize we must not rely on numbers, we do feel that we need not look for success if we are to blame for small numbers. We must strive for the larger vision. It is what makes the difference between success or failure in this life. Then we must work.

We believe our Directors have worked faithfully but it has been a hard year. People have been more willing to help the Belgians than their neighbor who was in need.

Basket meetings have been held in every Association except Barnstable and the attendance has been larger than usual. We were especially favored last fall in having Mrs. Lester, our beloved President, with us in our State and Associational gatherings and I do not believe we can estimate the value of her visit.

It was also a great inspiration last June, to meet our National Officers and so many of the District and State Officers during the meetings of the Northern Baptist Convention in Boston. We have indeed had many privileges and opportunities. May we have such a concern for missions the coming year, that we shall have no rest except as our hands are kept busy for our Master and may many be led to Him by our ministry.

MASSACHUSETTS — (Eastern)

Young Women's State Director — MISS GRACE MOSELEY, Oakland Ave., Needham

Associations	Young Women's Directors	No. Young People's Societies.	No. Junior Societies.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. where Mission Study Classes are taught.	No. of S.S. where Young Women's Christian Temperance Unions are organized.	No. of S.S. where Young Women's Christian Temperance Unions are maintained.
Barnstable	Miss Lillian Parker, Wellfleet	2	1	....	12	....	1	1
Boston North	Miss Mary R. Stark, Girl's Latin School, Boston	7	6	32	85	170	3	.....
Boston South	Mrs. H. W. W. Jukes, 107 Rosseter St., Dorchester	4	3	31	34	44	1	.....
Boston East	Mrs. Alden R. Taylor, 77 Winslow St., W., Everett	6	4	17	124	62	2	.....
Boston West	Miss Ida U. Hartshorn, 23 Warwick Road, Brookline	8	3	23	18	152	2	10
Framingham	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Merrimac River	.....	6	6	10	143	216	2	1
Salem	Miss Lucie Gardner, 4 Lynde St., Salem	5	3	27	23	127	1	1
Old Colony	.....	4	4	12	3	150	1	.....
Taunton	Miss Mary Wood, 139 Pearce St., Fall River	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Totals	42	30	161	442	921	13	12

MASSACHUSETTS — (Eastern)

Children's State Director — MISS GRACE MOSELEY, Oakland Ave., Needham

Associations	Children's Directors	No. Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Barnstable	Miss Lillian Parker, Wellfleet	....	....	....	.....	1	1	3
Boston North	Miss Mary R. Stark, Girls' Latin School, Boston	2	2	40	4	4	3	40
Boston South	Mrs. H. W. W. Jukes, 107 Rosseter St., Dorchester	....	....	....	4	3	1	100
Boston East	Mrs. Alden R. Taylor, 77 Winslow St., W., Everett	8	27	250	7	9	1	15
Boston West	Miss Ida U. Hartshorn, 23 Warwick Road, Brookline	4	26	124	5	5	1	....
Framingham	.....	1	6	101	1	.....	1	117
Merrimac River	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Old Colony	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salem	Miss Lucie Gardner, 4 Lynde St., Salem	5	37	113	5	4	1	8
Taunton	Miss Mary J. Wood, 139 Pearce St., Fall River	1	16	25	1	1	....	....
	Totals	21	114	653	27	27	9	283

Notwithstanding the fact that three associations are without Directors, I think conditions in Eastern Massachusetts among the young women are most encouraging. During the past winter several rallies have been held which have been well attended and where much interest and enthusiasm were shown. At those in Boston, Miss Isabel Crawford was our chief speaker. As a result of these rallies, three new societies have been formed. Our prayer is for more consecrated workers that the young women may be shown their opportunity.

MASSACHUSETTS — (Western)

State Director — MRS. H. E. THAYER, 77 Garfield St., Springfield

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their appor't'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Berkshire.....	Mrs. W. H. Perkins, 44 Buell St., Pittsfield	16	6	2	1451	340	2	....	3	170	3	5
Franklin	Mrs. L. J. Brace,											
Miller's River	Greenfield.....	14	7	4	427	154	5	2	3	84	1	5
Wachusetts....	Mrs. Flora V. Stebbins 14 Longwood Ave., Fitchburg.....	23	16	1	1194	402	6	1	5	198	9	7
Westfield.....	Miss Florence A. Maynard, 69 Andrew St., Springfield.....	28	18	5	2296	767	14	2	9	308	10	9
Worcester.....	Mrs. Arthur Metcalf, 16 Marshfield St., Worcester.....	24	18	1	1811	738	11	2	8	320	4	11
	Totals.....	105	65	13	7179	2401	38	7	28	1080	27	37

Western Massachusetts regrets the loss of its most efficient director of work among Young Women and Children, Mrs. Josie Chase Porterfield, but welcomes Mrs. H. M. Wood of North Adams as her successor. Mrs. Wood has already done splendid work along this line in her own association — Berkshire — which reports that they are to begin their work this year with a Junior Campaign from June 9–13.

Franklin-Miller's River Association is made up largely of small rural churches — 14 in number. Six of these have no mission Society. One new church has been organized in Westfield Association, and the Dorcas Society has a missionary committee who seem thoroughly interested in the work, sent a gift and hold regular meetings. We regret that our Director in Wachusett Association, Mrs. Flora V. Stebbins, who has given several years of faithful and devoted leadership, feels that she must give up this work at the close of the year. Only one church in Worcester Association is "up to the mark" in everything. Southbridge, under the able leadership of Mrs. Alexander Blackburn and Mrs. Metcalf, adds that she wishes some new plan might be devised whereby the churches would be ambitious to attain an efficiency standard. The coming to several of the Associations of Mrs. Lester, Miss Isabel Crawford, and Miss Huston, and the privilege of attending the mid-winter rally in Boston, gave us new inspiration and a larger vision of the needs of the work and our opportunity to help.

MASSACHUSETTS — (Western)

Young Women's State Director — MRS. J. C. PORTERFIELD, 151 Beech St., Holyoke

Associations	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of members in the W. M. S.	No. of Young Women's Mission Study Classes studied	No. of Young Women's Mission Study Classes studied in Home Missions
Berkshire	Miss Marion Wright, 41 Holden St., North Adams					
Franklin Miller's River	Miss Ada G. Wishart, 37 Pierce St., Greenfield					
Wachusetts						
Worcester	Mrs. H. C. Warren, Grafton					
Westfield	Mrs. Ernest Cross, 279 Franklin St., Holyoke					
Totals						

* See page 753 for present State Director.

MASSACHUSETTS — (Western)

Children's State Director — MRS. J. C. PORTERFIELD, 151 Beech St., Holyoke

Associations	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Bands	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of Meetings held	No. of Missions taken	No. of members in the W. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes studied	No. of Mission Study Classes studied in Home Missions
Berkshire	Miss Marion Wright, 41 Holden St., North Adams							
Franklin Miller's River	Miss Ada G. Wishart, 37 Pierce St., Greenfield							
Wachusetts								
Worcester	Mrs. H. C. Warren, Grafton							
Westfield	Mrs. Ernest Cross, 279 Franklin, Holyoke							
Totals								

* See page 753 for present State Director.

MICHIGAN

State Director — MISS FLORENCE E. GRANT, 581 Woodward Ave., Detroit

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Alpena	Mrs. John Campbell, Tawas City	20	2	8	500	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Chain Lake	Mrs. Hattie Stovall, Gen. Del., Lansing.	18	...	8	500	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Detroit	Mrs. Thomas M. Taylor, 327 Meldrum Ave., Detroit	49	27	13	5000	....	....	....	23	350	15	15
Flint River	Miss Anna E. Grow, Atlas	18	13	2	1900	....	....	....	8	80	4	3
Grand Rapids	Mrs. C. D. Thornton, 137 Rose St., Grand Rapids	5	4	1	600	....	....	....	2	30	1	1
Grand River	Mrs. W. A. Wilder, 404 E. Ann St., Belding	15	8	6	900	....	....	....	9	80	5	1
Grand River Valley	Mrs. Frank Jones, 321 Conant Terrace, Grand Rapids	13	5	7	1000	....	....	....	2	50	.....	5
Grand Traverse	Mrs. Kittie Bare Cooper, 307 Elmwood, Traverse City	9	5	4	600	....	....	....	3	75	2	3
Hillsdale	Mrs. Ella Vincent. 133 N. Pearl St., Coldwater	15	6	2	800	....	....	....	4	....	.....	....
Huron	Mrs. W. A. Higgs, Cairo	17	5	7	500	....	....	....	6	20	1	1
Jackson	Mrs. Cora F. Clarke, 110 Lansing Ave., Jackson	26	13	9	2500	....	....	....	17	150	.....	....
Kalamazoo River	Mrs. W. A. Powell, 611 W. Mansion St., Marshall	22	15	1	2500	....	....	....	9	175	5	3
Lenawee	Mrs. E. Chesney, 27 Madison St., Adrian	16	11	1	....	....	....	....	7	100	4	5
Marquette	Mrs. E. W. Miller, 403 Walnut, Manistique	10	7	2	500	....	....	....	5	80	2	5
Muskegon	Mrs. John Stoppels, Muskegon, R. F. D. 4.	10	5	4	350	....	....	....	2	40	4	3
Osceola	Mrs. G. B. Bates, 510 N. Williams St., Ludington	12	6	4	....	....	....	....	6	....	2	6
Saginaw Valley	Mrs. Elizabeth Baker, 116 W. Superior St., Alma	24	9	9	2100	....	....	....	12	....	.....	....
Shiawassee	Mrs. C. J. Ganssley, Vernon	22	11	7	1900	....	....	....	12	100	4	2
St. Joseph River	Mrs. E. A. Thomas, Hartford	6	5	....	600	....	....	....	4	75	3	3
St. Joseph Valley	.....	10	4	5	400	....	....	....	5	....	.....	....
Swedish Northern Con	.....	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Swedish Southern Con	.....	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Washtenaw	Miss Geraldine Gray, R. D. 6, Ypsilanti	10	5	3	900	....	....	....	6	75	2	1
Wayne	Mrs. I. J. Lucas, Northville	18	8	9	900	....	....	....	8	75	.....	4
	Totals	365	174	112	24950	....	....	....	140	1555	54	61

In October, 1914, the two Missionary organizations in Michigan became one, under the name of the Woman's Baptist Mission Society of Michigan. A new constitution was adopted and a charter secured. The work under the new organization goes on as before with less expense and less waste of energy. The board of managers consists of the officers and eighteen trustees and board meetings are held once a month.

During the past year thirty-two church conferences were conducted under the direction of the State Superintendent. At these conferences our Woman's work was faithfully considered by competent workers, among them the Associate Superintendent, Miss Davis, Miss Harriet Cooper, our Missionary Miss Mildred Jones and others. Since the resignation of Miss Davis, the women of the board and others in the state have done good work representing our work wherever needed

Many changes have occurred in our working staff, among them the resignation of our efficient Children's State Director. Our president emeritus, Mrs. L. B. Austin, connected with the Michigan Society since its beginning, passed away late in October. We have had many changes in our Associational Directors but are trying to get the Associational organizations to adopt a new constitution which provides for Directors in such a way as to do away with these constant changes.

MICHIGAN

Young Women's State Director — MISS EDITH M. BARLEY,
276 W. Hancock Ave., Detroit

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Alpena	Miss Martha Little, 216 State St., Alpena							
Detroit	Mrs. W. S. Weiler, 162 Berlin Ave., Detroit							
Flint River	Mrs. Lucy Gundry, 508 W. Court St., Flint							
Grand Rapids								
Grand River	Miss Violet Rasey, 1007 N. Lafayette St., Greenville							
Grand River Valley	Mrs. Harry Mayer, 240 Calkins Ave., Grand Rapids							
Grand Traverse	Miss Mina Stradling, Petoskey							
Hillsdale	Miss Helen Slayton, Hillsdale							
Huron	Mrs. Glenn Williams, Caro							
Jackson	Miss Mabel Andrews, River Junction							
Kalamazoo River	Miss Mabel Barber, Plainwell							
Lenawee	Mrs. W. H. Tolford, Weston							
Marquette	Miss Mildred Sourvine, 913 1st St., Escanaba							
Muskegon	Mrs. L. Redman, Montague							
Osceola	Mrs. C. Workman, R. D. 5, Reed City							
Saginaw Valley	Miss Fannie K. Harris, Mt. Pleasant							
Shiawassee	Miss Frances E. Hurd, R. F. D. 7, Lansing							
St. Joseph River	Miss Maud Whitman, Niles							
St. Joseph Valley	Mrs. Grinnell, Marcellus							
Washtenaw								
Wayne	Miss Lottie Lamb, Milford							
	Totals							

Missionary interest among our young women is steadily increasing. A number of organized Bible School classes are making mission study a regular feature of their work.

Dolls, toys, etc., were provided for the Christmas entertainments of the Detroit missionaries and later warm clothing for needy children was given them for distribution by various groups of young women. Several societies sent boxes to the Indians at the holiday season.

The usual rally was held in connection with the State Convention last fall. An old-fashioned missionary meeting was contrasted with a bright modern one, in which Miss Alma Kurtz told of her work among the immigrants. This contrast was presented by the Kalamazoo young women.

Over five hundred young women of Detroit and immediate vicinity tendered a banquet to Miss Kidd of Mexico last spring. The tables were decorated to represent various countries and peoples.

Miss Helen Crissman ,assisted the Shiawassee Associational Director in holding a series of missionary rallies in that Association.

Nineteen Associational Directors are helping arouse this enthusiasm and we are praying for more interest in the immediate future.

MICHIGAN

Children's State Director —

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of [illegible] of Baby B[illegible]
Detroit								
Flint River	Miss Jeffers, [illegible]							
Grand Rapids								
Grand River								
Grand River Valley	Mrs. Henry Meyer, 161 Fulton [illegible]							
Grand Traverse	Mrs. M. M. [illegible], Trail [illegible]							
Holland	Mrs. [illegible], 113 Hazelton [illegible]							
Huron	Mrs. [illegible], Milan							
Jackson	Mrs. [illegible], Manchester							
Kalamazoo Valley	Mrs. [illegible], 1013 Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo							
Marquette	Mrs. [illegible]. Stockwell, 355 E. Hewitt Ave., Marquette							
Osceola	Mrs. Emma Fuller, 212 Locust St., [illegible]							
Saginaw Valley	Mrs. [illegible], [illegible] Ave., [illegible]							
St. Joseph	Mrs. [illegible], 701 Pearl St., [illegible] Harbor							
Wayne	Mrs. H. C. Mead, Dearborn							
Alpena	Mrs. [illegible], Lincoln, Wilkinson, R. D. 2							
Lenawee	Mrs. [illegible], [illegible] & W. Church St., Adrian							
Muskegon	Mrs. L. Bussey, Muskegon							
Washtenaw	Mrs. Caroline Lawrence, Ypsilanti							
St. Joseph Valley	Mrs. Lucia Avery, Jones							
	Total							

The Children's State Director for Michigan was obliged to resign just before the blanks were to be sent out to the Associational Directors. I took this work upon myself and mailed blanks to the seventeen Directors whose names appear on our list. I have received responses from five. In these five reports the Directors say they have received almost no response to their letters or blanks and can give me almost no information. It is my opinion that there is work being done among the children in Michigan, but perhaps through Sunday School classes and those figures are very hard to obtain. One Director writes, "These report blanks do not make any showing whatever unless there is a formal organization." She goes on to say that she is pleased with the change in Missionary effort during the past year. "Many schools take two collections every Sunday."

The fact that sixty-one Sunday Schools, at least, contributed to our Woman's Home Mission Society last year looks as though Missions were being presented in the Sunday Schools, but the statistics governing the work among the children seem to be impossible to obtain.

FLORENCE E. GRANT, *State Director*.

MINNESOTA

State Director — MRS. D. D. SMITH, 812 Goodrich Ave., St. Paul

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Twin City, St. Paul Div. ..	Mrs. J. H. O. Brandenburg, 1561 Kerwin St., St. Paul.....	7	7	....	500	150	5	2	5	51	6	6
Twin City, M'p'l's Div..	Mrs. F. S. Abernethy, 2219 Dupont Ave., N. Minneapolis.....	20	14	....	2346	946	13	8	9	237	11	11
Northwestern..	Mrs. W. C. Rotul, Box 506, Sauk Center.	17	6	....	421	96	6	1	5	59	2	3
Western.....	.....	11	5	....	....	....	4	....	.....	12	.....	....
Southeastern...	Mrs. H. I. Howe, 407 W. Sanborn, Winona.....	11	5	3	457	112	5	1	5	37	2	6
Minnesota Valley.....	Mrs. W. A. Peterson, Windom	16	8	....	409	105	5	1	3	95	3	5
Central.....	Mrs. H. W. Jensen, Albert Lea.....	12	11	....	569	230	8	4	5	92	3	6
Dano-Norwegian...	Mrs. B. Jacobson, Atwater, R. No. 7,	17	9	....	288	75	6	2	3	51	1	1
Swedish.....	Mrs. O. Bodien, 1300 7th St., S. Minneapolis.....	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
German.....	Miss Hannah Neve, 590 Mendota St., St. Paul.....	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Lake Superior..	Mrs. Milton Fish, 502-25th Ave., W. Duluth.....	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
	Totals.....	111	65	3	4990	1714	52	19	35	634	28	38

The work in Minnesota has gone on about as usual I think. The women have shown much interest in the study book, "In Red Man's Land," and are making some progress in sending their missionary money in quarterly installments. A group of missionary books for each Association has been purchased by the State Board and the Directors are circulating them. More books will be added next year, and we feel that our women will become better informed on the work of our Societies.

MINNESOTA

Young Women's State Director — MISS EVELYN A. CAMP, 2530 Pleasant Ave., Minneapolis

		No. of Young Women's	No. of Unorganized	No. of Members	No. of Mag.	No. contributing to the W. A.	No. of Mission Classes.	No. of Young S. S. Classes and contributing Home Miss.
Central		2	2	15	....	64	1	2
Lake Superior	Mrs. Milton W. Fish, 502-25th Ave. W., Duluth	2	2	3	1	14	1	.....
Minnesota Valley	Miss Kate Howell, Vernon Center	5	4	24	5	50	2	3
Northwestern	Miss Millicent McMahon, Parker's Prairie	7	7	34	31	73	5	5
Southeastern	Mrs. A. L. Tibbets, West Concord	2	2	10	....	40	1	
Twin City, M'p'l's Div.	Miss Harriet Barnum, "The Maryland," Minneapolis	16	16	78	41	521	5	14
Twin City, St. Paul Div.	Miss Emma Siegel, 919 Hudson Ave., St. Paul	2	2	9	....	....	....	5
Western	Miss Orma W. Johnson, 106 S. 1st St., Montevideo							
Dakota-Nebraska	Mrs. M. L. Holmes, 1111 16th Ave. So., Minneapolis	2	2	12	....	65	....	.....
	Totals	38	37	185	78	836	15	29

There are two things which we wish to emphasize in our young women's work in Minnesota the coming year. The first is systematic giving on the part of each girl and consequent quarterly payments by societies, and the other is the necessity for united and constant prayer.

The young women of Minnesota are thinking more seriously than ever of their personal relation and obligation to missionary work, and not a few have decided that the Lord wants them in definite missionary service. The spirit of earnestness and consecration among the girls is very marked. There are a number in Minneapolis who are planning to attend the Geneva Conference this summer, and we hope there will be others throughout the state who will join them.

A conference was held at our State Convention last fall. Several of our Associational Directors were present, as well as a goodly number of other girls. There were over three hundred at our annual banquet in Minneapolis, in February. As a time of real enthusiasm and inspiration, we have not seen it surpassed.

MINNESOTA

Children's State Director — MRS. E. F. IRWIN, Station F., R. 1, Minneapolis

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Central	Miss Julia Hendrickson, 623 Fountain St., Albert Lea	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Lake Superior	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Minnesota Valley	Mrs. O. E. Akers, Lake Crystal	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Northwestern	Miss Vera Rice, 1228-4th St., S. E., Minneapolis	7	23	70	5	3	2	70
Southeastern	Mrs. William Herrick, 13 S. Prospect St., Rochester	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Twin City	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Western	Mrs. Arneson, Montevideo	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
	Totals	7	23	70	5	3	2	70

MISSOURI

State Director — MRS. H. B. SCAMMELL, 4568 Washington Ave., St. Louis

Missouri does not furnish a statistical report, for such a report does not give a true basis of comparison. The Missouri plan gives to each contributor the privilege of sending her money through the Northern Baptist Convention, or the Southern, or of dividing it as she sees fit. Of the 413 Women's and Young Women's Missionary Societies in Missouri, less than twenty send all their money through the North. About one hundred more divide between the North and South. However, from the majority of the Societies, a small gift, one or two dollars annually, is received for the support of Mrs. Abington, missionary among the colored women of Missouri.

Despite steady growth in contributions for Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, Missouri still stands as a mission field, rather than a missionary force, on the books of Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, inasmuch as the Society expends more in the support of its missionaries in Missouri than is received in gifts from Missouri. We appreciate the service of these missionaries, and trust the day will soon come when we not only support the workers in our midst, but some of those in other parts of the home mission field.

We have appreciated visits from Miss Ina Shaw, District Secretary, and Miss Adell Martin, missionary to Porto Rico, during the past year. Their help has made our public meetings of greater worth, and has given wider knowledge of the purposes and work of Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

The faithful and effective service of the Secretary, Miss Mare, is bringing results. Slowly but surely our gifts are growing, and we are attaining more nearly to the Standard of Excellence.

MONTANA

State Director — MRS. THOMAS STEPHENSON, P. O. Box 582, Helena

ASSOCIATION	DIRECTORS	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing.	No. of Women and Girls	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have	No. of Societies which have	No. of Societies which have	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of
North	Mrs. W. E. Pettibone, 313 4th, N., Great Falls	18		3	95	30	3				
East	Mrs. J. L. Mercer, Livingston	4	4	1	118	60		1	1	18	1
South	Mrs. E. G. Bradford, 939 S. Main St., Butte	8	7	4	200	140	2		2	40	3
West	Mrs. C. E. Lobdell, 307 Eddy, Missoula	6	6	4	200	75	4		1	10	3
Flathead	Mrs. J. E. Thomas, Eureka	1	1	1	100	100	4	1	1	20	1
	Totals	37	18	13	713	405	13	2	5	88	8

* See page 752 for present State Directors.

MONTANA

Young Women's State Director — MRS. THOMAS STEPHENSON, P. O. Box 582, Helena

ASSOCIATION	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
North	Mrs. W. E. Pettibone, 313 4th, N., Great Falls							2
East	Mrs. J. L. Mercer, Livingston							1
South	Mrs. E. G. Bradford, 939 S. Main St., Butte							
West	Mrs. C. E. Lobdell, 307 Eddy, Missoula		1	4				3
Flathead	Mrs. J. E. Thomas, Eureka		1	4				
	Totals		2	8				6

* See page 753 for present State Directors.

MONTANA

Children's State Director — MRS. THOMAS STEPHENSON, P. O. Box 582, Helena

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
North	Mrs. W. E. Pettibone, 212 6th, N., Great Falls	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
East	Mrs. J. F. Mercer, Livingston	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
South	Mrs. E. G. Bradford, Butte	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
West	Mrs. C. B. Lebkicher, Missoula	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Flathead	Mrs. J. E. Thomas, Eureka	1	52	28	1	1	....	....
	Totals	1	52	28	1	1	....	....

* See page 13 for present State Directors.

We have closed another year for the Master with a deep sense of gratitude to Him for His guidance and direction.

We are grateful to the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society which is giving entire support to six Missionaries among the Crow Indians, and wish to thank the Board for sending Miss Goodspeed to the State Convention. Her addresses moved people to the point of action. We gained a clearer insight of the work and its needs and our vision is much broader. We would say that her devotion to the cause, her zealous and untiring effort in its behalf, sparing not herself, has won the hearts of the women and many of our societies have responded to her appeal. May the Lord continue to bless her and use her to His glory.

We know statistics are necessary and regret not being able to send a full and complete report from all departments of the work. We wish we could tell you the story of the year; of letters we have received from women that have moved into the Treasure State and are hungry for the gospel message, but only our Master can do that.

We would gratefully remember all the workers who have contributed to the success of the work, the speakers who have attended our Associational meetings, our faithful Directors, the officers of our local societies, all those whose work has been so earnest and so faithful. And as we close our work as Director want to say it has been a blessed privilege and we but wish it might have been better done.

We bespeak for the one who has so willingly consented to take up the work Mrs. M. Y. Batten Pease for the coming year the hearty support of all the women of the churches, and trust that she shall have the hearty co-operation and loyalty of every one.

"It isn't the thing you do, dear,
But the thing you leave undone,
That brings a bit of a heartache
At the setting of the sun."

"He is best who wins the most splendid victories by the retrieval of mistakes."

Forget mistakes, organize victories out of them.

"Therefore, let us go from strength to strength," and "forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, Let us press on to victory."

NEBRASKA

State Director — MRS. R. G. DAVIDSON, 3236 R St., Lincoln

Association	Director	No. of Societies	No. of Mission Bands	No. of Children's Bands	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Blue River..	Mrs. [illegible], Alexandria.....	13	7	1	500	....	5	1	3	50	4	1
Custer.....	Mrs. [illegible], Broken Bow.....	11	7	2	350	152	6	3	3	42	5	1
Danish.....	Mrs. M. E. Westberg, Hartington.....	4	2	....	78	....	1	....	.....	15	.....	1
First Nebraska.	Mrs. [illegible], [illegible], [illegible].....	10	8	1	900	....	8	3	4	150	4	3
Grand Island..	Mrs. [illegible], Grand Island.....	16	6	2	500	200	8	2	5	55	4	4
Loup and Elkhorn												
Nemaha...	[illegible], [illegible].....	18	6	5	500	140	6	2	5	70	6	5
North Central..	Mrs. R. K. Stevens, Middle Branch.....	6	...	4	75	....	2	1				
North Eastern.	Mrs. [illegible], [illegible].....	6	4	1	400	....	4	....	4	30	1	2
North Platte...	Mrs. M. E. Louden, North Platte.....	4	2	2	200	....	4	1	3	14	1	1
North Western.	Mrs. Mae English, [illegible].....	10	6	1	250	100	3	1	1	30	2	3
Omaha.....	Mrs. F. A. Howard, 523 No. 20th, Omaha.	17	12	1	1200	600	13	3	10	157	4	5
Southern Union.....	Mrs. Francis Walls, Oxford.....	21	6	5	850	400	11	1	5	80	3	2
York.....	Miss Rena Camp, Hampton.....	13	6	6	550	315	6	1	4	64	4	1
German ...												
Swedish....	[illegible]											
	Totals.....	149	72	31	6353	1907	77	19	47	757	38	29

I earnestly desired to send you a complete report this year, but in my effort I am reminded of the fact that the whole is composed of each of its parts and where one part is missing there can be no complete whole. Some of our women have not felt the responsibility of returning the reports to us, and hence our standard is lowered.

My directors have co-operated with me in an effort to interest every Baptist woman in Nebraska in our Mission work. We have presented it with vigor and much interest, and in many places have been rewarded by our women responding with their prayers and their gifts.

Our work has been presented at each of the Associations — those in the early part of the year by the Director, and the remainder by Miss Anna Sturmer. Through these opportunities the Director has been able to keep in touch with a large number of women in our state.

The severe winter and heavy storms which came with it, have made it impossible to have regular meetings in many places — this of course, has been detrimental to our work — but despite conditions you will see from my

statistical report that advance has been made. Many are sending their money quarterly and a larger number have raised their apportionment. Quarterly statements have been sent regularly throughout the year, and in many instances special letters of encouragement have been written direct to the societies.

The Swedish Conference very graciously invited us to present our work there, and an invitation extended in advance for their meeting in June.

Our District Secretary, Miss Ina Shaw, has been with us for a short period two or three times, and always brings inspiration with her. Engagements have been made in advance for her. We were happy to have our National Secretary, Mrs. Westfall, with us at our State Convention and many of our women requested that we should plan for an all-day meeting of our women this year. The letters from my Directors, telling of their ministry of love, gives me courage and confidence to say that Nebraska women will do better service in the year to come than in the past.

With this report my work for the Society is closed. I realize that many mistakes have been made, which fill my heart with sadness, but I believe in the work of our Society and in the loyalty of our Nebraska women, and I commend them all to God.

NEBRASKA

Young Women's State Director — MISS JENNIE A. HALL, 221 S. 28th St., Lincoln

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
First Nebraska	Mrs. H. R. Waldo, 2911 R St., Lincoln	1	1	5	....	20	....	.....
York	Miss Minnie Fortna, Octavia	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Southern Union	Mrs. L. E. Hunt, Guide Rock	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
North Western	Mrs. Mae English, Chadron	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Grand Island		2	2	....	....	....	....	.....
Blue River	Mrs. Jennie Terry, Alexandria	1	1	12	....	5	....	.....
Custer		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Danish		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Nemaha	Miss Mae Marts, South Auburn	1	1	....	....	....	....	.....
North Central		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
North Eastern		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
North Platte	Mrs. L. C. Sawyer, North Platte	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Omaha	Miss Pearl Moore, 2407 Emmet St., Omaha	1	1	12	10	50	....	.....
	Totals	6	6	29	10	75	....	.....

NEBRASKA

Children's State Director — MISS JENNIE A. HALL, 221 S. 28th St., Lincoln

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior	No. of S.S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
First Nebraska	Mrs. H. R. Waldo, 2911 R St.,							
York								
[illegible]								
North Platte								
[illegible]								
Long Pine								
Omaha								
Lincoln								
Kearney								
[illegible]								
Norfolk								
Nebraska								
Omaha								
	Totals							

Our work in Nebraska the past year has been encouraging and considerable has been accomplished as a basis for the new year's work, though not much that shows in our report. Several new societies were organized. We have definite plans formed and in operation for some aggressive work in every association, and we hope in every church, that will surely increase interest in missions among Nebraska young women. We are happy to have Miss Cirssman visit our state as she goes to California.

NEVADA

State Director — MRS. WILLIAM VAN TASSEL, P. O. Box 517, Sparks

ASSOCIATIONS	DIRECTORS	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing with Week of Prayer.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their specified amount.	No. of Societies which have reached their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their dues to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S.S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W. A. B. H. M. S.
No Associations	in State											
	Totals											

NEW HAMPSHIRE

State Director — MRS. E. C. HOAGUE, 12 Tahanto St., Concord

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Dublin.....	Mrs. Clara A. Sumner, 45 Butler Ct., Keene..	10	7	3	460	88	9	2	4	84	6	6
Meredith.....	Mrs. Mary S. Fox, Rumney.....	12	5	1	111	83	6	2	6	44	1	6
Milford.....	Mrs. Chas. J. Hadley, 220 Ash St., Manchester.....	18	10	4	700	284	11	3	6	148	4	11
Newport.....	Mrs. Fay E. Clark, 220 Ash St., Manchester.....	13	6	6	516	253	5	3	4	87	3	7
Portsmouth....	Mrs. Edith M. G. Campbell, Hampton Falls..	16	11	5	414	132	4	1	1	108	1	7
Salisbury.....	Mrs. Julia A. Kimball, 78 Warren St., Concord.....	18	9	3	398	442	10	4	4	163	.....	7
	Totals.....	87	48	22	2599	1282	45	15	25	634	15	44

In making out the report I know it is most incomplete. I am sure that every Director has worked faithfully to obtain a complete report, writing two and three times to the delinquent church.

One encouraging thing about the work, is that so many churches report they have raised their apportionment, and a few have exceeded it. It was a pleasure to have Mrs. Lester with us in the fall. She gave us inspiration for our winter's work, and many of our women listened to her, as the meetings were well attended. We hope this coming year to have conferences in different parts of our state, when our workers may come together, to talk over the many problems that confront us.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Young Women's State Director — MRS. D. H. GOODELL, Antrim

Associations	Young Women's Directors	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Young Women's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. to the H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of S. S. Classes and contributing to Home Missions
Milford	Mrs J. S. Lewis, Amherst	2	1	....	51	....	1	1
Dublin	Mrs. M. Lydia Bishop, Walpole	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Salisbury	.....	1	1	....	14	12	1	....
Portsmouth	.....	3	1	17	....	30	2	1
Meredith					5	....	1	1
Newport	Miss Elizabeth Post, Newport	1	—	6	7			3
	Totals	7	3	23	77	42	4	6

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Children's State Director — MRS. D. H. GOODELL, Antrim

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held	No. of Members.	No. of Organizations having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S. S. where Primary or Junior Department is contributing to the W. A. to the H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of Members of Baby Bands.
Milford	Mrs. J. S. Lewis, Amherst	2	2	36	2	5	3	42	
Dublin	Mrs. M. Lydia Bishop, Walpole	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	
Salisbury	.....	1	....	....	1	1	....	....	
Portsmouth	.....	3	15	60	1	3	1	38	
Meredith	.....	2	....	....	2	1	1	33	
Newport	Miss Elizabeth Post, Newport	1	....	....	6	1	....	....	
	Totals	9	17	96	13	12	5	113	

The work among the young women and children has been very gratifying. In many of our small churches the contributions of money are made in connection with some other organization, or through the regular church treasury so that we cannot give so complete records of the contributors as we might wish, but the interest is deepening and growing and we want to thank God for the impulses which He has given us.

Miss Edna C. Kidd made an itinerary of the state in May and June, speaking on the work in Mexico. We believe God used her to inspire us for better work.

The Associational Directors have done good work this year and we hope to have one for every Association soon.

NEW JERSEY

State Director — MRS. A. W. PALMER, 31, So. Clinton St., East Orange

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W. A. B. H. M. S.
Camden.....	Mrs. Charles H. Kelton, 45 Walnut St., Haddonfield.....	55	22	9	....	1009	22	16	13	265	13	14
Central.....	Mrs. W. D. Brady, 134 South St., Somerville.	22	13	2	....	374	11	7	6	59	5	6
East.....	Mrs. C. P. Hairhouse, 3 Whittlesey Ave., East Orange.....	33	29	2	....	1128	27	12	21	638	15	12
Monmouth....	Miss Margaret H. Morford, Middletown....	24	18	1	....	601	18	6	10	169	6	7
Morris and Essex.....	Mrs. Clarence G. Appleton, 48 N. Fullerton Ave., Montclair.....	18	13	2	....	....	11	4	6	272	5	5
North.....	Miss Mary M. de Gruchy, 27 Lincoln Ave., Rutherford....	50	22	3	....	513	19	7	10	315	2	3
Trenton.....	Mrs. George Bullock, 915 Edgewood Ave., Trenton.....	21	15	2	....	693	14	3	7	210	2	8
West.....	Miss Anna V. Cooper, 54 Market St., Salem.	39	17	2	....	441	15	7	4	114	7	7
	Totals.....	262	149	23	....	4759	137	62	77	2042	55	62

The year's work in New Jersey points to advance and progress in some particulars. More prayer has characterized our meetings and I note a new spiritual tone. A greater number of churches and societies than ever before have met and exceeded their apportionments and we feel that God has blessed us, and will guide us in the next year's work.

NEW JERSEY

Young Women's State Director — MRS. A. L. KENNELLY, 108 Holly St., Cranford

Association	Young Women's Secretary	No. of Young Women's Organizations.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Camden	Mrs. J. P. Riceman, Kirkwood	7	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Central	Miss Ella C. Higgins, 24 Church St., Flemington	3	2	11	5	22	1	
East	Miss Florence M. Thorn, 303 Second Ave., [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Monmouth	Mrs. A. B. Henderson, Matawan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Morris & Essex	Miss [illegible], 477 Main St., Orange	4	3	11	4	19	5	10
North	Mrs. R. H. Johnson, 167 Bowers St., Jersey City	1	1	10	8	32	1	.....
Trenton	Miss S. Anna Snook, R. D. 1, Trenton	7	5	13	28	146	....	.....
West	Miss Ida M. Bullock, Millville	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	.....
	Totals	[illegible]	[illegible]	200	124	[illegible]	19	111

NEW JERSEY

Children's State Director — MRS. A. L. KENNELLY, 108 Holly St., Cranford

Association	Children's Secretary	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings Held.	No. of Members.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of Members in Baby Bands.
Camden	Mrs. J. P. Riceman, Kirkwood	7	21	268	6	8	7	199
Central	Miss Ella C. Higgins, 24 Church St., Flemington	6	11	166	11	10	1	72
East	Miss Florence M. Thorn, 303 2nd Ave., Roselle	10	16	277	10	7	6	211
Monmouth	Mrs. A. B. Henderson, Matawan	6	95	202	6	7	4	107
Morris and Essex	Miss Gertrude F. Brittain, 477 Main St., Orange	4	3	78	7	7	1	40
North	Mrs. R. H. Johnson, 167 Bowers St., Jersey City	7	27	169	2	1	2	46
Trenton	Miss S. Anna Snook, R.D. No. 1, Trenton	6	6	298	15	9	7	120
West	Miss Ida M. Bullock, Millville	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
	Totals	46	179	1452	55	44	28	825

Oh, how disheartening incomplete figures may appear! But despite the fact that as it stands, our report does not show the progress we had hoped it might, we feel that there has been an advance in interest among our young people and trust that another year may bring a real harvest.

NEW YORK — (Eastern)

State Director — MRS. WM. M. ISAACS, 29 E. 69th St., New York

Asst. State Director — MRS. L. K. BARNES, 123a Halsey St., Brooklyn

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Black River....	Mrs. W. A. Vincent, Three Mile Bay.....	19	13	....	601	287	5	1	4	80	7	4
Chenango.....	Miss Lucy Jennison, 81 Henry St., Norwich.....	20	12	2	573	264	3	1	2	116	3	2
Deposit.....	.....	13	6	2	318	41	6	1	2	61	2	3
Dutchess	.....	10	5	2	226	42	2	1	1	13	2	2
Essex and Champlain...	Miss C. A. Mead, Morrisonville, R. F. D. 2.....	12	6	5	389	130	2	....	2	29	.....	4
Franklin.....	Miss Chrissey Stebbins, 8 Bridge St., Walton..	22	12	2	982	270	3	....	5	53	3	4
Hudson River Central.....	Mrs. L. H. Francis, 10 Larch St., Beacon..	38	22	3	1714	376	13	3	3	180	10	10
Hudson River.. North	Mrs. James Sanborn, 18 Younglove Ave., Cohoes.....	39	22	6	2529	1059	14	2	17	465	13	10
Lake George...	Mrs. David Jones, Minerva.....	11	5	2	326	55	4	....	1	27	2	5
Long Island...	Mrs. R. S. Jones, 760 Elmore Place, Brooklyn.....	60	45	4	8268	2597	40	17	29	985	16	18
Madison.....	Mrs. W. F. Langworthy, Hamilton.....	16	12	....	549	424	6	....	1	155	2	3
Mohawk River.	Mrs. G. H. B. Stone, 26 4th St., Ilion.....	13	8	1	828	288	6	....	2	91	3	4
Oneida.....	Miss Margaret E. Thomas, 83 Cornelia, St., Utica.....	27	19	1	240	505	15	3	7	117	2	7
Otsego.....	Mrs. Charles W. Griffin, West Edmeston.....	14	10	3	749	354	12	3	2	38	5	6
Rensselaerville.	Miss Hazel E. Barber, Westerlo	10	4	1	256	123	2	....	.....	38	1	....
Saratoga.....	Mrs. Ella Sanders, Scotia, R.F.D. 2.....	24	17	2	1955	823	10	3	6	184	2	5
Southern New York.....	Mrs. Samuel Taylor, 323 W. 83rd St., New York City.....	55	40	2	2787	701	27	8	14	156	10	6
Stephentown...	Mrs. Fred Cropsey, Averill Park, R.F.D...	9	3	6	297	65	5	1	.....	6	.....	....
St. Lawrence...	Mrs. J. Justin Rasbach, Ogdensburg.....	18	11	4	444	311	9	4	2	115	4	4
Union.....	Mrs. Henry Alfke, Patterson.....	12	7	....	314	188	5	1	3	40	3	2
Washington Union.....	Mrs. George P. Barnard, Ft. Edward.....	22	12	4	1273	655	7	1	1	204	1	3
Worcester.....	Mrs. D. H. Gordon, Cobleskill.....	16	7	5	357	202	6	2	2	42	3	3
	Totals.....	480	298	57	25975	9760	202	52	106	3195	94	105

Notwithstanding the serious and heart-rending conditions in other countries, the work for Home Missions in Eastern New York has gone on with

wonderful regularity. There has been no diminution in work. Our workers are efficient and our able Assistant Director needs no words other than her report to show our great Society that we have a woman seemingly raised up for Home Mission effort and success.

We can but feel that this is a time when self-denial will become a pleasure, and the deepening of spiritual life and responsibility is more keenly felt than [illegible].

God grant that we may reap a harvest this coming year, such as we pray and hope for.

MRS. WILLIAM M. ISAACS.

The work in Eastern New York has been peculiarly interesting this year. There has been a deeper consecration, among our Directors and a special joy in service with them, only here and there, has there been a note of discouragement; in most cases the desire to do more and regret for a service not perfect has been the key note. Financially we do not know the result, but whatever it is, we do know our faithful women have tried to do their very best.

The New York City Branch has a splendid record, exceeding the appointment, and giving $1,075.00 in special gifts. The Long Island Branch, as usual remembered the apportionment by over $700.00, besides giving $1,000 to help carry on the Hudson Ave. Mission among Negroes in Brooklyn. Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn, and the Fifth Ave. Church N. Y. City, each gave over $1,100.00 to the work of our society. A fine record. Four thousand dollars in individual gifts, from old friends and new, were a great help, and the letters that came with the money were an inspiration.

The largest single gift for the past eight years has come from Miss Frances Hunting of Rochester. On February 19th, Miss Hunting passed from suffering here, to joy and peace with the Lord she served so faithfully. Her prayers and wise counsel will be missed as much, yes! far more than her large gifts. We know our lives are better for having known her.

The annual meeting of our Woman's Missionary society of Eastern New York, held at Hamilton in May, and the meeting of Baptist women, held in connection with the State Convention at Syracuse, were wonderful examples of the value of presenting at one time and place, all phases of woman's work. At Hamilton, the ideal location, the cordial hospitality, the graciousness of President and Mrs. Bryan of Colgate University, the large attendance, the presence of Dr. and Mrs. Goodchild, who had just returned from a trip around the world, made this meeting an event in the history of Eastern New York.

At Syracuse 1400 women attended the day sessions, and 600 were served at the banquet. Speakers from among our National Officers, with missionaries from many parts of the world, made this a memorable day. We can truly say this has been a year of blessings. We desire to express our appreciation for the help of all officers and missionaries who have spoken at many of our meetings, giving new enthusiasm, and inspiration.

Stepping over the threshold of a new year; what shall it be? "Joy in Heaven?" "Joy in the presence of the angels?" Shall it be service that will bring the words "Come ye Blessed;" We know "Whosoever will, may come," The reward for service is open to all. Let us claim these promises, and make this our best year.

MARTHA J. BARNES.

NEW YORK — (Eastern)

Young Women's State Director — MRS. EDYTHA B. M. KNIGHT, 8 Madison Pl. Albany

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Women's B. H. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Black River	Miss Iva Perkins, Black River	4	4	8	8	87	....	2
Chenango	Mrs. I. W. Jaquith, Earlville	1	1	8	4	28	....	2
Deposit	Mrs. James H. Messinger, Hancock	1	1	10	10	28	2	2
Dutchess	Mrs. Adolph Reimer, Jr., Dover Plain	1	1	12	....	17	....	1
Essex & Champlain	Miss C. A. Mead, Morrisonville, R. D. 2	2	1	....	....	5	....	.....
Franklin	Miss H. Belle Shaw, 6 High St., Walton	5	4	24	21	144	2	4
Hudson River Central		6	6	31	24	48	2	10
Hudson River North	Mrs. S. R. Morrow, 48 Lancaster St., Albany	11	9	41	65	120	3	24
Lake George	Mrs. Thomas Hunter, Warrensburg	....	....	....	29	....	....	.....
Long Island	Mrs. C. A. Wilson, 742 Carroll St., Brooklyn	21	17	151	103	441	6	2
Madison	Mrs. C. F. Miller, New Woodstock	2	1	11	....	24	....	3
Mohawk River	Miss L. Marie Dunn, 17 Rowe St., Utica	1	1	24	66	12	1	1
Oneida	Mrs. A. D. Jones, 407 N. Washington St., Rome	8	8	40	18	247	2	21
Otsego	Miss Pearl Crosier, West Edmeston	3	3	28	1	28	1	4
Rensselaerville	Mrs. F. L. Fuller, Poestenkill	1	1	3	13	8	....	.....
St. Lawrence	Miss Lena P. Green, 152 W. Main St., Gouverneur	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Saratoga	Miss Ethel Schenck, 7 Main St., Ballston Spa	4	4	12	18	105	....	1
Steuben	Mrs. George W. Dibble, 201 W. 54th St., New York City	11	11	24	38	191	2	8
Stephentown	Mrs. Walter Mattison, Berlin	2	2	6	4	23	1	.....
Union	Mrs. Henry Alfke, Patterson	2	....	18	....	....	....	.....
Washington Union	Miss May Clough, Greenwich, R. D.	9	8	23	22	166	1	6
Worcester	Mrs. A. W. Cady, Cobleskill	2	....	104	....	15	....	3
	Totals	[illegible]	82	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	25	[illegible]

NEW YORK — (Eastern)

Children's State Director — MRS. EDYTHA B. M. KNIGHT, 8 Madison Place, Albany

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
[illegible]	Miss Iva Perkins, Black River	3	17	80	2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible] Griffith, Earleville	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible] H. Messinger, Hancock	1	38	40	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	10
[illegible]	[illegible] Reimer, Jr., [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	1	1	6
[illegible]	[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Franklin	Miss H. Belle Shaw, 6 High St., Walton	1	4	42	3	3	2	30
[illegible] River Central	[illegible]	2	[illegible]	20	4	5	3	35
Hudson River North	Mrs. S. R. Morrow, 48 Lancaster St., Albany	5	107	176	9	8	2	51
Lake George	Mrs. Thomas Hunter, Warrensburg	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Long Island	Mrs. O. R. Judd, 22 Hart St. Brooklyn	16	162	432	12	12	11	833
[illegible]	Mrs. C. F. Miller, New Woodstock	1	6	30	2	3	4	75
[illegible] River	Miss L. Marie Oulds, 17 Rand St., Ilion	3	17	11	2	4	3	50
Oneida	Mrs. A. D. Jones, 417 N. Washington St., Rome	6	20	125	4	5	2	40
Otsego	Miss Pearl Dresser, West Edmeston	1	7	24	1	2	1	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
St. Lawrence	Miss Leta P. Green, 152 William St., Gouverneur	3	67	45	3	2	1	12
[illegible]	Miss Helen Richardson, 7 Allen St., Gloversville	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	2	1	[illegible]
Southern New York	Mrs. George W. Cokefair, 200 W 85th St., New York City	9	130	99	11	11	3	76
[illegible]	Mrs. Walter Mattison, Berlin	1	[illegible]	16	[illegible]	2	1	40
[illegible]	Mrs. Henry Alfke, Patterson	2	6	35	2	1	2	22
[illegible]	[illegible] [illegible], [illegible], [illegible]	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	67	717	1380	69	[illegible]	[illegible]	1379

To give an absolutely accurate and complete report of the work really accomplished among the young women and children of Eastern New York would be very helpful and gratifying. As emphasized in my report of last year, one cannot do this because of the seemingly utter indifference on the part of many churches regarding the report blanks. In many cases, no attention whatever is paid to either report blanks or letters sent them by the directors. This is the discouraging part of the work to me, and I sincerely wish I could devise some way to overcome it.

There have been many beautiful things to remember regarding the past year's work, many encouragements, many things to be thankful for that more than pay up for any disappointments. In some associations there has been

a steady growth, greater interest, better results, while in others, owing to lack of leadership, the progress has been slower. But everywhere the interest is growing, and our girls are finding their places, and are recognizing that they too, have a share of this work to do, and are awakening to their responsibility of bearing one another's burdens.

What we need most are leaders — young women, loyal, conscientious Christian young women, who are willing to give themselves to this work of teaching and showing our younger girls and boys that the one sure way to be happy is to serve Christ by serving others. That many of our churches are without young women missionary societies and junior mission bands does not mean that these churches are entirely self centered and lack missionary interest, but it is often an indication that they have no one who is capable and willing to give herself to this work. It is so easy to interest girls and children in missions, but it is necessary to have a leader who can guide them and keep them interested.

I wish I could tell you of all the sweet happy things that have come to me this year through my directors and the girls I have met, and how much I have enjoyed their letters. From their reports and the letters which accompanied them, I find that there is a great deal of local home work done by the girls — sewing for babies, and sending fruits and flowers to the hospitals, and boxes of clothing for those in need, showing that their hearts are right. They are learning that no work done truly, no word earnestly spoken, no sacrifices freely made was ever in vain.

Miss Perkins reports two new junior societies in Black River Association, and a recent letter received from her is full of enthusiasm and hopefulness.

A newly organized Philathea class in Dutchess Association has been heartily recommended by Mrs. Adolph Reimer, Jr., and we surely hope for its success in missionary endeavors.

Miss C. A. Mead reports that the W. I. C. Society of West Plattsburgh, although of very small membership and so scattered are they that regular meetings cannot be held, still contribute, and in this way express their interest in missions.

Miss H. Belle Shaw has done very good work in Franklin Association and reports that whereas the advance may not be very large so far as numbers are concerned, she feels that there has been a spiritual growth, which after all is the best kind of progress.

The report from Hudson River Central is very incomplete, and I am sure that there is more being done than herein shown. I know of several new organizations.

In Hudson River North, the interest among young women increases. The second annual rally and banquet of the Hudson River North Young Woman's Mission Society held at Schenectady was a splendid success in every detail, and full of enthusiasm and inspiration. It was beautiful to see the bright happy faces, and to realize that the occasion was brought about through the girls' interest in missions. It made one wish that all girls had a part in it. The girls are looking forward to their next banquet which will be held in Cohoes next October.

The Mohawk Association is fortunate in having as their new director, Miss L. Marie Oulds. Miss Oulds is new in this work, but her love for Christ, and her great desire to serve Him, and to help the cause of missions will aid her greatly in her efforts to lead the girls of her Association.

There has been growth in Southern New York, and all who know Mrs. Geo. W. Cokefair will understand that with such a leader, there is bound to be progress.

Miss May Clough of Washington Union Association has a fine report, and is doing splendid work in her association. She reports "There has been considerable advance in our work among young women and children, espec-

[illegible] young women, and I am hoping to [illegible] in some of our churches which do not give our work a place."

Because of the faithful work of Mrs. A. W. Cady, Worcester also shows a gain. She writes, "Surely our opportunities are great, how I wish I could enlist every young woman in this great work!"

Mrs. W. Mattison reports one new society in Stephentown Association and there is a possibility for more.

Mrs. A. D. Jones has done so much for the girls in Oneida Association. In organizing the Oneida Young Woman's Society, and helping them plan their rallies and banquets, she has greatly increased their missionary interests. Owing to various reasons, Mrs. Jones finds it necessary for her to give up this work, and in this we [illegible] interest will not cease because of her resignation.

With Mrs. C. A. Wilcox guiding and Dorcas the [illegible] and Mrs. O. E. Isbell caring for the children, Long Island Association can say in the language that missionary interests are in safe keeping.

We have reason to be thankful for the lives of our girls and young women who have willingly and cheerfully consecrated themselves to this life of service, and may they realize there is nothing too little or too big for them to attempt for God, as long as they have faith in Him, and turn to His guidance. How much more we could make of [illegible] every secret thought of love [illegible] into a deed!

Onward and Upward is my prayer for the coming year.

"Use me, my God, in Thy great harvest field,
Which stretcheth far and wide like a wide sea;
The gatherers are so few, I fear the precious yield
Will suffer loss. Oh find a place for me.
A place where best the strength I have will tell;
It may be one the other toilers shun;
Be it a wide or narrow place, 'tis well,
So that the work it holds be only done."

NEW YORK — (Western)

State Director — MRS. JOHN H. COXHEAD, 149 Anderson Pl., Buffalo

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Allegany	Mrs. R. B. Burrows, Andover	16	10	....	677	242	1	1	.....	96	6	2
Buffalo	Mrs. F. W. Taylor, 597 Lafayette Ave., Buffalo	45	18	....	2199	804	20	3	6	464	6	8
Broome and Tioga	Mrs. C. E. Bliss, 10 Chapman St., Binghamton	34	11	....	1489	186	8	1	3	175	5	8
Canisteo River		6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Cattaraugus	Mrs. F. C. Fay, Franklinville	15	8	....	424	338	5	....	3	49	3	3
Cayuga	Miss Lilla Carpenter, Auburn, R.F.D. 7	16	9	....	1146	434	6	1	4	224	.....	4
Chautauqua	Miss Sarah Griffith, 11 W. 11th St., Jamestown	32	17	....	1260	502	16	3	35	231	3	3
Chemung River	Mrs. A. H. Norton, 208 Columbia St., Elmira	33	12	....	1790	264	6	1	4	136	5	5
Cortland	Mrs. E. L. Tanner, R. D., McGraw	20	9	....	809	160	4	1	.....	112	2	7
Genesee	Mrs. E. M. Harmon, 9 E. Main St., Le Roy	25	12	....	1087	275	10	2	5	189	4	2
Livingston	Miss Nora M. Bennett, Hunt	10	5	....	59	79	2	....	1	31	1	....
Monroe	Mrs. J. C. McCurdy, 434 Oxford St., Rochester	39	33	....	3542	1609	20	3	9	568	8	5
Niagara	Mrs. John Vassar, Niagara Falls	12	12	....	1116	348	10	1	3	153	8	10
Onondaga	Mrs. F. P. Carr, Fayetteville	21	15	....	3452	252	12	3	5	275	8	9
Ontario	Miss Waity E. Brayton, 276 Castle St., Geneva	13	10	....	933	230	7	....	5	91	3	4
Orleans	Mrs. A. L. Swett, 416 W. Center St., Medina	10	7	....	699	157	6	1	4	60	4	4
Oswego	Mrs. C. Streater, 423 Buffalo St., Fulton	17	13	....	1082	555	11	....	3	82	2	4
Seneca	Mrs. F. A. Rappleye, Interlaken	14	9	....	942	230	6	....	6	90	4	3
Steuben	Mrs. S. W. Ketcham, Hammondsport, R. F. D. 4	16	6	....	241	77	5	....	2	29	1	
Wayne	Mrs. M. T. Wheat, 6 Maple Ave., Newark	15	9	....	701	345	6	2	5	141	5	2
Yates	Mrs. E. H. Pangborne, R. D. Dundee	15	5	....	416	274	5	....	2	63	2	....
	Totals	424	230	....	21064	7361	166	23	105	3259	80	88

It is a wonderful experience to feel sustained through illness and sorrow by the prayers of your friends and co-workers. At such times we realize more and more that intercessory prayer is the greatest prayer that ever lived. This has been the experience of your State Director for Western New York. The work has not suffered however, for the faithful assistants have been "hard at it." We accepted the resignation of Miss Louise N. Robinson, as State Director for Work Among Young Women and Children, with deep regret, but welcome Mrs. Earl A. Partridge as her successor. Mrs. George Caleb Moor, our gracious, unselfish Secretary of Literature, moved from our part of the state, so we were obliged to give her up. Mrs. John Barbour, of Rochester, consented to fill her place. These new officers with several new directors have changed the personnel of our district, but as we glance over the financial record we can safely say we have done as well this year as last and given more [illegible], as our budget was increased.

We had two helpers this year — Miss Helen Crissman, who left many friends in this state, and Mrs. A. E. Reynolds, our beloved former Principal of the Training School. All who were fortunate enough to hear her felt stimulated and inspired for better service.

We have four young women in the Training School and one missionary supported by special gift. The Reading Contest is growing in favor. Seneca Association won the cup last year. One of the greatest sources of advancement shows in the number of copies of *Missions* taken, Monroe Association leading in honors for they report 568. Through the reading contest and copies of *Missions* we have become informed concerning our great "Home Mission Cause," but your State Director felt anxious to have the women in her state get closer to the workers, so she decided to ask the women to join an "Acquaintance Party;" in other words, to write a letter to one of the missionaries or teachers and ask for a reply, so that the women of that church can come into vital contact with one field and the missionary on that field. In this way the 300 missionaries and teachers will be known by our Western New York women, and we hope that the missionaries will be cheered and encouraged in their work as well.

NEW YORK — (Western)

Young Women's State Director — MRS. E. A. PARTRIDGE,
95 Middlesex Road., Rochester

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Allegany	Mrs. R. B. Burrows, Andover	3	3	18	3	22	1	1
Broome & Tioga	Mrs. E. F. Hillegas, 7 Catharine St., Binghamton	2	2	10	15	20	2	.....
Buffalo	Miss Edith Roos, 15 Holland Pl., Buffalo	11	11	40	30	228	1	7
Canisteo River	Mrs. A. J. Spencer, Jasper	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Cattaraugus	Mrs. F. W. Marshall, Portville	1	1	....	....	10	1	.....
Cayuga	Mrs. M. C. Foster, 23 Court St., Auburn	5	5	52	23	83	1	1
Chautauqua	Miss Martha M. Tweedale, 106 Liberty St., Jamestown	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Chemung River	Mrs. E. E. Ellison, Wellsburg	3	3	28	8	54	....	.....
Cortland	Miss Ellen E. Allport, Groton	3	2	4	4	44	....	3
Genesee	Mrs. E. E. Smith, Warsaw	2	2	9	....	40	1	2
Livingston	Miss Ruth Sanford, Dansville	2	2	22	....	40	....	2
Monroe	Miss Emilie Loeffler, 464 Grand Ave., Rochester	6	6	7	23	193	4	8
Niagara	Miss S. Edith Brague, 444 Pine St., Lockport	5	5	17	19	85	....	5
Onondaga	Mrs. Everett Purington, 907 Madison St., Syracuse	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Ontario	Mrs. H. D. Weyburn, 100 Seneca St., Geneva	4	4	37	4	47	1	1
Orleans	Miss Ivah Chadwick, 82 East State St., Albion	4	4	64	26	83	....	20
Oswego	Miss Ada Waugh, 78 Ellen St., Oswego	3	2	12	20	....	1	3
Seneca	Miss Jennie Northrup, 224 S. Geneva St., Ithaca	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Steuben	Miss Ruth Lockwood, R. D. 4, Hammondsport	2	2	5	1	12	....	1
Wayne	Mrs. David W. Briggs, Palmyra	2	2	15	20	30	1	.....
Yates	Miss Mary I. Palmer, 537 Liberty St., Penn Yan	1	....	....	....	....	....	.....
	Totals	59	56	340	196	991	14	54

NEW YORK — (Western)

Children's State Director — MRS. E. A. PARTRIDGE, 95 Middlesex Road Rochester

Associations.	Children's Directors.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Mission in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Allegany	Mrs. R. B. Burrows, Andover							
Broome & Tioga	Mrs. E. F. Hillegas, 7 Catharine St., Binghamton	2	27	36	2		2	
Buffalo	Mrs. W. T. Porter, 30 Barton St., [illegible]	15	58	188	7	5	1	10
Canisteo River	Mrs. A. J. Spencer, Jasper							
Cattaraugus	Mrs. F. W. Marshall, Portville							
Cayuga	Mrs. M. C. Foster, 23 Court St., Auburn							
[illegible]	Miss Martha M. Tweedale, 100 [illegible]							
[illegible] River	Mrs. E. E. Ellison, Wellsburg	1	12	23	1	1		
[illegible]	[illegible]							
Genesee	Mrs. E. E. Smith, Warsaw	2	21	70	1		1	10
Livingston	Miss Ruth Sanford, Dansville							
Monroe	Miss Emilie Loetller, 464 Grand Ave., Rochester	2		95	3	4	4	32
Niagara	Miss S. Edith Brague, 444 Pine St., Lockport	3	4	235	3	3	1	30
[illegible]	[illegible]							
Ontario	Mrs. H. D. Weyburn, 100 Seneca [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Orleans	Miss Ivah Chadwick, 82 E. State St., Albion	2	98	50	2	2	1	25
Oswego	Miss Ada Waugh, 78 Ellen St., Oswego	4	67	76	3	2	2	27
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]							
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Yates	[illegible]							
	Total	43	316	784	28	20	12	144

In submitting the enclosed statistics, will the Board kindly keep in mind that I have only been in office some six months.

This fact, coupled with the general depression in business due to the European War and kindred causes, the re-adjustment of many churches to the Budget plan of contributing, and the loss of some of the society leaders by marriage, removal and death, keeps me from feeling discouraged over the actual figures, which fall much below what I had hope to present. At the same time I sincerely believe that the actual figures do not indicate the entire amount of interest, as nearly every report is accompanied by a letter telling of classes that have but recently taken up our work, so that there was nothing to report for the year ending March 31st, but will be for next year. Much of this increased interest is directly traceable to Miss Crissman's visits in Western New York.

I find by separate inquiry of my own that national or state officers have

visited 21 organizations, that 12 rallies have been held for young women, or in which young women were included, and that 15 boxes have been sent to our workers on the field.

I have established pleasant personal relations either by letter or in meeting them with nearly all of my directors, and have written eighty-nine personal letters, besides two circular letters to all the Directors. Miss Crissman and Miss Robinson having been available for speaking purposes has made it unnecessary for me to do much in that line. I have presented our work before six different meetings.

NORTH DAKOTA

State Director — MRS. E. R. PRATT, Cavalier

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their appor't'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
North Dakota..	Mrs. F. D. Hall, 804-10th St., Fargo...	11	4	5	182	74	6	3	3	19	1	....
Northwestern..	Mrs. W. D. Campbell, 612 First St., S. E., Minot.....	11	4	4	127	25	4	1	2	38	1	3
Red River Valley.....	Mrs. Levi Blades, Grafton.....	11	8	2	396	154	9	5	3	45	5	7
Norwegian Con.	Miss Anna Kvamme, 910-15th Ave., Valley City.....	12	8	8	153	107	11	8	1	29	1	1
Swedish Con...	Miss Tillie Lindlum, Kulin.....	11	...	8	85	55	4	2	.....	....	10	....
German Con...	Mrs. M. A. Kolashefsky, Madison, S. D.....	23	11	14	282	63	....	....	.....	11	3	....
	Totals.....	79	35	41	1225	478	34	19	9	142	21	11

In looking over the work for the past year I find much that is encouraging. The societies have sent in a good full report from most of the Associations, which is appreciated very much by the directors. During the year Miss Martin, of Porto Rico, visited the American churches and Associations, and was a great inspiration wherever she went. Miss Emma Anderson did some splendid work among the Scandinavian churches. It was a privilege to have these two consecrated women visit the churches. We have constantly urged quarterly payment and find an advance has been made in that respect. One hundred and forty-two copies of *Missions* are taken, the reading of which I hope will bring greater interest in the work. Miss Ina Shaw, our District Secretary, presented our work at the State Convention. Inspired by her missionary zeal, we will aim to be more efficient in the work of Missions. Our new directors have taken up the work in a most helpful manner.

NORTH DAKOTA

Young Women's State Division—

Associations.	Young Women's Directors.	No. Local Unions.	No. Members.	No. Boards of Directors.	No. Meetings held.	No. Delegates to State Convention.	No. Delegates to National Convention.	No. Delegates to Lake Geneva Conference.	No. the W.A.B. Has Visited.	No. Letters Written.	No. Calls Issued.
Fargo	Miss Eunice Webb, Treasurer Miss Mabel Shoemaker, Secretary Miss [illegible], President		1		11				11		
	Totals		1		11				11		

NORTH DAKOTA

Children's State Division—

Associations.	Children's Directors.	No. of Organizations.	No. of Members.	No. Boards of Directors.	No. Meetings held.	No. Delegates to State Convention.	No. Delegates to National Convention.	No. Delegates to Lake Geneva Conference.	No. Letters Written.	No. Calls Issued.
Fargo	Miss Anna Swanson, Northern Pac. Ry. Germania	2 3	20 ...	10					1	15
	Totals	5	20	25					1	15

OHIO

State Director — MISS HARRIET C. RYCHEN, Wyoming

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Adams	Mrs. Norma Davis, Cherry Fork	11	3	7	124	32	5	....	.....	6	.....	3
Ashtabula	Mrs. Luella Stevens, Conneaut, R.F.D. 2	19	6	1	292	220	8	2	4	74	2	2
Auglaize	Mrs. S. T. McCormick, Kenton	21	13	...	738	276	9	3	6	76	4	3
Cambridge		16	6	2	497	349	4	....	2	45	4	1
Central												
Cleveland	Mrs. E. A. Akers, 2240 Grandview Ave, Cleveland Heights	35	28	....	4065	1144	23	6	13	426	16	11
Clermont	Mrs. Della Donham, New Richmond, R.R.3	7	4	....	197	45	3	....	1	11	.....	....
Clinton	Miss Anna G. Vance, Hillsboro	21	10	2	712	176	9	3	.....	57	2	4
Columbus	Mrs. L. M. Montgomery 1532 Worthington St., Columbus	16	9	1	1303	277	5	1	4	154	2	2
Coshocton												
Dayton	Mrs. G. L. Reed, 113 W. Grand, Springfield	31	24	3	3292	855	26	8	16	336	10	12
Huron	Mrs. Geo. E. Leonard, 142 E. Main St., Norwalk	12	7	3	466	153	5	1	4	71	3	3
Lorain	Mrs. Anna Everard, Elyria	13	11	1	561	236	10	2	7	58	1	1
Mad River	Mrs. G. O. Duer, Fletcher, R. D. 2	16	4	2	836	....	1	....	2	11	3	2
Mansfield	Mrs. S. S. White, Bucyrus	10	5	1	281	117	2	....	4	20	2	2
Marietta	Mrs. Emma Cassady, Marietta, R. D. 1	24	8	1	1049	100	6	2	3	46	2	5
Marion		18	9	....	435	159	12	....	1	30	1	....
Miami	Mrs. W. H. Weiser, 913 Dayton St., Hamilton	26	22	2	2204	715	16	3	14	296	11	11
Mount Vernon	Mrs. W. S. Craven, Mt. Gilead, R.F.D. 4.	15	9	3	804	211	10	3	7	65	3	5
Ohio	Mrs. Charles Edwards, Ironton	31	5	....	230	72	5	1	1	8	3	1
Pomeroy	Mrs. Eliza Patton, Pomeroy	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Scioto	Mrs. C. A. Dyer, Coalton	11	3	1	....	....	4	....	.....	....	1	....
Toledo	Mrs. E. H. Rhoades, 127 Prescott St., Toledo	24	12	3	1829	494	12	4	9	212	6	7
Trumbull	Mrs. S. A. Hughes, 410 S. Jackson St., Youngstown	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wooster	Mrs. G. W. Downe, 1252 Logan Ave., N.W., Canton	7	4	....	439	188	3	....	1	56	2	2
Zanesville	Mrs. J. C. Ford, 631 Seborn Ave., Zanesville	18	8	1	1025	158	7	3	3	40	2	3
Zoar	Mrs. E. Koerber, 418 Hickory St., Martin's Ferry	12	3	....	645	107	2	1	1	47	1	1
	Totals	414	213	34	22024	6062	187	43	103	2145	81	81

A year of many changes. As I look over the list of Associational Directors in the last annual report I find that when the next one is published there will be ten new names. Resignations have come because of ill health, removals and other causes, — in no instances for lack of interest in the work.

We are working and must keep striving for the same objects as in the past months and years,— to interest more of our women and young people, to forward money regularly to headquarters, to do all in our power to have our [illegible] magazines read. How can any one be interested in things of which they are not informed? One of the discouraging features of the whole work is to note how comparatively few copies of *Missions* are taken.

The most encouraging feature of our work is that among the young women, now under the direction of Miss Ellen C. Little of Norwalk. Surely they are living up to their slogan "Watch us grow."

So many, many things I wish I might say and do. The year has passed, and in some respects it has not been what we have wished, still I believe we have made progress. Let us thank God and take courage.

OHIO

Young Women's State Director — MISS ELLEN C. LITTLE,
128 E. Main St., Norwalk

Association	Young Women's Director	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.					
[illegible]	Miss Jennie Gore, Conneaut	1	1	7		8		
Auglaize	Mrs. C. W. Walters, 1055 W. Spring St., Lima	1	1	6		25		6
Cleveland	Miss [illegible] Hamilton, 441 S. Maple St., Akron	6	6	46	5	196	8	
Clinton		1	1		16			5
Columbus		2	1	8				1
Dayton	Mrs. A. J. Kolbitt, 119 Emerald Ave., Dayton	4	3	11	31	111		8
Huron	Miss Glenna Lee, North Fairfield	2	2	8	1	35		1
Lorain	Miss Bertice Wilson, R. D. No. 1, Elyria	3	2	8	6	47		
Mad River	Miss [illegible] Hunter, R. No. 1, New Dover							
Mansfield	Miss Doris Bird, Lexington							
Marietta	Miss Helen Nott, 604 E. 31st St., Marietta	1	1			36	1	2
Marion	Miss Irene Fox, Prospect	2	1	11	1	35		2
Miami	Miss Florence Sterling, Gilman Ave., Cincinnati	7	7	25	29	174	5	3
Mt. Vernon								
Ohio		1	1	6		24		5
Toledo	Miss Lora F. Mason, 2824 Lawrence Ave., Toledo	2	2	17	9	45		2
Trumbull	Mrs. E. G. Stanley, 384 Jackson St., Youngstown	6	6	51	15	210		2
Wooster	Miss Mamie Detweiler, 605 McKinley Ave., Salem	3	3	24	1	44	1	
Zanesville	Mrs. J. C. Sutton, 139 N. 17th St., Zanesville	3	3	12	10	38		
Zoar	Miss Ruth Cooley, 512 Grant Ave., Martin's Ferry							
	Totals	44	41	233	99	984	15	36

OHIO

Children's State Director —

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Adams	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Ashtabula	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Cambridge	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Cleveland	Mrs. Frances Abbott, 214 Wood St., Painesville	10	62	363	6	6	4	101
Clinton	Miss Eleanor Fisher, 231 Arch St., Chillicothe	....	....	....	....	1	....	....
Coshocton	Miss L. E. Rapp, 1634 Chestnut St., Coshocton	1	6	50	1	1	....	....
Dayton	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lorain	Miss Mae Lyman, 115 Glendale Ct. Elyria	2	38	21	1	....	....	....
Miami	Mrs. Carleton Atwater, Elberon Ave., Cincinnati	4	25	155	4	2	1	13
Pomeroy	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Toledo	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Trumbull	Mrs. Reese Ramsey, 2530 Hillman St., Youngstown	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Zanesville	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
	Totals	17	131	589	11	10	5	114

OREGON

State Director — MRS. O. P. M. JAMISON, 582 Main St., Portland

ASSOCIATION	DIRECTOR	No. of Churches	No. of Societies	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'mt.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Willamette	Mrs. Wells Hurlbutt, 123 E. 16th St. Portland	20	11	8	2100	500	15	5	11	168	5	4
West Willamette	Mrs. F. Northrup, 611 S. B. St., McMinnville	15	7		468	61	4	....	2	18	....	....
Central	Mrs. O. S. Nepture, Albany	15	5		708	121	1	....	1	51	1	1
Rogue River	Mrs. S. L. Bennett, 531 S. Riverside Medford	8	4		347	83	4	....	1	38	2	2
Grande Ronde	Mrs. W. H. Brownlee, Baker	11	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2
Umpqua	Mrs. I. H. Newton, Eugene	10	5	1	493	175	8	....	2	34	4	3
German		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Deschutes		4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Umatilla	Mrs. Jennie E. Barrett, Athena	11	6		214	67	1	1	1	19	2	1
Swedish		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Eastern		3	1				1		1	5	1	
Totals		107	47	13	4730	1007	44	6	18	343	15	13

The state of Oregon sends greetings to the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society and to all who are interested in missionary work. I am happy to say that the women of this western state are a loyal and faithful band, and many have done their best. I want again to say what I have said before that we still have large areas of sparsely settled country — the distances from one center to another are great, and while the mode of travel is not as tedious as it used to be, yet, owing to mountain ranges, it is not rapid and is quite expensive.

Our women do not have the benefit of the enthusiasm and inspiration of many large meetings, which do make for growth and advancement. I say this that our situation and our work may be the better understood.

Then, too, I never send out a report of Christian work of any kind but what I feel that it is so inadequate, so incomplete, for with the very best statistics there is so much that cannot be reported. So much labor of brawn and brain, of love and sacrifice — so much that the Master owns, that we cannot report. However, I think I can safely say there has been growth along the lines of interest and information. Our women are taking broader views along all lines, we now have the right of franchise, and no doubt it is largely due to this fact that prohibition carried in the state by quite a good majority last fall.

The school for the Chinese is most faithfully presided over by Miss Mary E. Berkeley, and she is a regular attendant and helper, at the Sunday evening services.

The Women's City Union co-operates with the State Convention in the

maintenance of the Italian Mission, and Miss Amy Purcell has recently come into that work, and is rapidly winning her way into the hearts of the women and children.

To the faithful and efficient Associational Directors much credit is due, and we are all indebted to Miss Carrie O. Milspaugh for wise counsel and loving service.

Again, I say, this report does not cover the work, from one or two Associations only a brief account appears, where as those sisters have done considerable along various lines of activity.

The financial depression of the past year has been felt very acutely in some sections. However, we are full of hope and courage and trust we may become more useful in the service of the Master whom we love and whom we serve.

OREGON

Young Women's State Director — MISS ELIZABETH MERRILL.
P. O. Box 317, Albany

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Woman's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Central		3	2	....	4	....	....	1
Grande Ronde		2	2	18	....	....	....	.....
Rogue River		....	....	....	6	....	....	3
Willamette		3	2	9	5	75	2	3
Umpqua		1	1	....	....	....	....	.....
Umatilla		....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
West Willamette		1	1	....	....	....	....	.....
	Totals	10	8	27	15	75	2	7

OREGON

Children's State Director — MISS ELIZABETH MERRILL, P. O. Box 317, Albany

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Grande Ronde		....	....	....	.....	2	....	....
Central		....	....	....	1	1	....	....
Willamette		....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
West Willamette		....	....	....	.....	.....	1	....
Umpqua		....	....	....	1	2	..	....
Umatilla		....	....	....	.....	.....	1	....
Rogue River		....	....	....	.....	2	1	....
	Totals	....	....	....	2	7	3	....

[illegible] annual report should show an advance over the preceding one, yet [illegible] that the statistical report shows an increase in the number of Young Women's [illegible] Mission. This special work as in the past few years is helping to support Miss Hattie Beeman who is working among the Hopi Indians. The young women are learning more interested in her through a better acquaintance made possible by circular and personal letters. Some of the young women have helped to supply her sewing school with quilt blocks and this has also increased the interest in her work.

[illegible] for the additional fact that Oregon has felt the financial depression [illegible] throughout the country, the conditions to be met in the work have been practically the same as in previous years. Constant changes in popula- [illegible] lack of missionary interest in [illegible] of our churches, the great distances and lack of transportation facilities in much of our State, are all factors to be [illegible] with in our work. But with all of this there is no need for discouragement. We should instead be thankful to God for the many opportunities for work given us and pray for His help and guidance in taking advantage of them for the betterment of our own state and nation.

PENNSYLVANIA

State Director — MRS. J. G. WALKER, 649 N. 40th St., Philadelphia

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Abington	Mrs. E. E. Wells, 1307 Oram St., Scranton	32	15	15	1866	441	14	7	5	176	4	4
Allegheny River	Mrs. D. P. French, Coudersport	11	5	5	175	145	4	3	1	20	1	....
Beaver	Miss Olive M. Davis, Edinburg, R. D. 2	20	13	13	1327	367	10	3	5	88	6	3
Bradford	Mrs. Giles Seeley, E. Smithfield	20	2	8	277	69	7	1	1	23	2	4
Bridgewater	Mrs. Geo. M. Noll, 2 Church St., Montrose	14	3	6	197	41	5	3	1	16	1	2
Central Union	Mrs. Charles A. Walker, 314 W. Union St., West Chester	37	15	14	1310	391	11	4	3	117	4	1
Centre	Miss Florence Dysart, 638 Washington St., Tyrone	28	13	15	1191	242	10	4	.....	110	7	7
Clarion	Mrs. Anna Magee, 330 Wood St., Clarion	21	7	7	133	101	6	4	.....	37	3	....
Clearfield	Mrs. Henry Madtes, 307 Liberty St., Punxsutawney	20	7	4	690	115	9	2	.....	10	3	1
Delaware Union	Miss Bertha Shirley, Moores	8	6	6	575	80	2	1	2	20	4	1
French Creek	Miss Eleanor Morrison, Greenville	25	10	9	636	263	7	1	4	106	3	2
Harrisburg	Mrs. I. C. Scattergood, 354 S. 13th St., Harrisburg	16	8	8	473	138	4	1	2	109	3	4
Indiana	Miss Jessie Dunmire, Blairsville	22	7	7	44	78	7	3	2	31	2	1
Monongahela	Mrs. James H. Collins, 60 Connellsville St., Uniontown	27	7	8	1300	284	9	....	1	58	4	1
North Philadelphia	Mrs. H. D. Barber, 649 Stanbridge, Norristown	42	24	26	3244	944	18	7	8	157	8	4
Northumberland	Mrs. R. R. Thompson, 115 S. 4th St., Sunbury	49	20	22	2613	557	19	12	8	287	10	8
Oil Creek	Mrs. F. S. Kitchell, 218 Hoffman Ave., Oil City	26	9	9	1435	284	12	2	5	160	2	5
Philadelphia	Mrs. J. H. Haslam, 2140 Van Pelt St., Philadelphia	99	63	67	7527	2046	43	12	29	775	18	18
Pittsburgh	Mrs. D. C. Williams, 200 S. Fairmount Ave., Pittsburgh	99	55	55	3883	1404	48	20	19	516	13	15
Reading	Mrs. Howard Hoffmaster, 150 S. 5th St., Reading	28	5	5	713	177	7	4	3	60	3	2
Ten Mile	Mrs. Mary S. Parry, 213 East Main St., Waynesburg	22	6	15	760	97	12	4	.....	22	15	15
Tioga	Miss Ellen D. Tanner, Harrison Valley	31	11	22	1099	241	21	2	1	71	9	6
Wayne	Mrs. Arthur Curtis Waymart	18	2	8	65	....	2	....	.....	7	1	....
Welsh	Mrs. Walter Reese, 1703 Summer, Providence, Scranton	21	8	8	200	100	6	....	.....	15	2	2
Wyoming	Mrs. Isaac E. Jones, 54 Atherton St., Westmoor, Kingston Sta	32	8	9	338	394	9	3	2	73	4	2
	Totals	768	329	378	32071	8999	302	103	102	3064	132	108

The thrill and throb of the enthusiasm that marked our anniversary gatherings in Boston, have been felt throughout the year. Would that we could transmit that enthusiasm to every auxiliary organization within the borders of our State. We long for a closer touch with all our constituency, and an enlistment of the great unenlisted forces.

We are grateful for the blessings of the past, and the work accomplished thus far, but we desire much more. "Church Efficiency" has been the key [illegible] will bring our missionary offerings nearer the mark they should reach, and already there are encouraging indications that our churches are seeking, and [illegible]

There has been a growth in missionary study classes, and in some places a broadening conception of the mission purpose of God in the world. It may also be said that the several revival campaigns conducted in Pittsburgh, [illegible] of Evangelist Rev. Wm. A. Sunday, have exerted a widespread influence in the direction of missionary activity, and helped to develop a larger measure of [illegible] and missionaries, and those associated with them, has been greater, and a greater amount of work has been done at the home base, than in former years.

The District Secretary, Mrs. R. Mapelsden, has been over a large portion of the State, helping and encouraging, and regulating conditions, and leaving the workers stronger, and better informed as to forward movements.

We have had also the helpful service of Mrs. A. E. Reynolds, former Principal of our Training School, in several sections of the State. The Directors of each, write enthusiastically of the help and uplift she has given them in [illegible] Crawford, not only in Philadelphia during the month of December, but also in Pittsburgh and vicinity in March. The opportunity thus given our churches in hearing and knowing such workers as these, brings results that cannot be fully estimated.

Our one-time Pennsylvania worker, Miss Harriet P. Cooper, known and loved by all Pennsylvania women, as well as by the women of many other States, was the acceptable speaker in a number of Associations, until in the early part of October, she met with an automobile accident while on her way to attend the Indiana Association. Her fortitude and bravery were so manifested, even under these trying circumstances, in continuing the journey and fulfilling her appointment until forced to succumb, that won for her the admiration of all, and proved herself to be, as always, an indefatigable worker. A month's rest, and nursing in her home, in Detroit, [illegible] to her usual health and activity. Miss Anna M. Barkley of Cuba, was also welcomed as a valuable speaker in Associations in the Eastern part of the State, and helped and encouraged some of the more remote churches while visiting among them, especially in the Wayne Association. Later in the year, Miss Beulah Hume, and Miss Edna Kidd, both from Mexico, recalled because of the unsettled conditions in that country, were with some of the Pennsylvania churches, and rendered helpful service.

The statistical tables show a marked increase in the totals this year which is encouraging, though there is a feeling throughout most of the Associations, among those who are in touch with these tables, that the columns relating to the systematic presentation of Missions in the Sunday Schools, and the schools contributing to our work, make a poor showing in comparison to numbers. Mission training should be given its rightful place in the life of our young people in the Sunday Schools but it is evident that in the short time allowed for the lesson no extensive study of mission facts and conditions is possible. In one Association however, the Ten Mile, we can record the fact, that of the twenty-two churches, fifteen have a systematic presentation of

Missions in the Sunday Schools, and consequently fifteen contribute regularly. This is the largest number by far in any one Association in proportion to the number of churches, and we are glad to say it is largely due to the Director, Mrs. Mary S. Parry, who has given time and effort in seeking to secure these results.

The reports of our Young Women's Directors for Eastern and Western Pennsylvania, show that there has been a gratifying increase in the number of organizations. This is largely true of Eastern Pennsylvania. While the gifts of these young women constitute an important part of our work, the inspirational and educational value is greater. We should plan for definite results in enlistment in mission study and in personal service. To this end we wish that very many more of our young women would attend the summer conferences and missionary rallies and assemblies, held in various places, as Silver Bay, Northfield and Chautauqua. How important it is that Baptist girls should know of Baptist work, and become so aroused and interested as to engage in it.

We cannot close the report of the State without mention of the Annual meeting of our State Society held in Scranton last October. Like the previous year, one of the sessions of the State Convention is our very own, as a co-operating society, and for our women speakers. These were, Mrs. Frank M. Goodchild, of New York, whose address on "Missionary Motives for Women" keyed our hearts for more effective work, while Miss Isabel Crawford, and Miss Burroughs continued to hold the magnificent audience with undivided attention and interest. Nor would we omit the helpfulness of our District Secretary, Mrs. Mapelsden, in the conference work, and business sessions throughout the days of the convention.

Grateful for the blessings of the past year, and for the work accomplished, we enter upon the work for the future, hoping to set a yet higher aim for all our endeavors, and to accomplish yet greater results.

PENNSYLVANIA — (Eastern)

Young Women's State Director — MRS. L. MORRILL HAINER, 4126 Westminster Ave., Philadelphia

Allentown	Miss Edna Evans, 410 Hamilton Ave.	3	3	4	8	20	1	.....
Central Penn.	.....	4	3	12	42	67	1	.....
Harrisburg	Miss Catherine M. Wade, 2117 Derry St.	4	4	10	10	51	4	4
Northumberland	Miss Grace M. Wade, 2117 Derry St., Harrisburg	1	1	10	12	140	1	
North Philadelphia	Miss Mabel Packard, 1010 Lang St., Williamsport	8	8	11	14	100	4	2
Philadelphia	Miss Grace Hicks, 113 E. Upsal St., Germantown	11	11	30	13	911	4	10
Reading	Miss Ruth Hartman, 1414 Penn St., Reading	1	1					
Scranton	Miss E. G. Dickson, Cherry Flats	1	1					1
Bethlehem	Miss Ida Kemerer, Upper Nazareth							
Bradford	Miss Jessie J. Rose, Box 1000, R. F. D. 10	1	1					
Delaware Union								
Wayne								
Welsh								
Total		31	32	87	201	1,300	31	27

PENNSYLVANIA — (Eastern)

Children's State Director — MRS. L. MORRILL HAINER, 4126 Westminster Ave., Philadelphia

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Abington	Miss Anna Reavis, 430 Madison Ave., Scranton	....	....	....	1	1	....	....
Bradford	Miss Laura Riggs, Burlington R. F. D.	3	....	....	2	2	....	....
Bridgewater	Miss Lou Egelston, Great Bend	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Central Union	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Delaware Union	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Harrisburg	Miss Catherine De Vont, 208 Hummel St., Harrisburg	2	5	37	2	3	....	....
Northumberland	Miss Catherine M. Tuck, 1215 Cherry St., Williamsport	3	16	85	2	1	....	....
N. Philadelphia	Miss Mabel Pollard, 5339 Lena St., Germantown	6	32	114	3	3	3	69
Philadelphia	Miss Grace Hales, 115 E. Upsal St., Germantown	9	44	227	10	8	8	138
Reading	Miss Nellie Hoffmaster, 5th and Chestnut Sts., Reading	4	46	87	3	2	1	120
Tioga	Mrs. C. G. Parsons, R. F. D., Cherry Flats	1	....	25	1	1	1	20
Wayne	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Wyoming	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Welsh	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
	Totals	28	143	575	24	21	13	347

It is a pleasure to write this report of Young Women's and Children's Societies in Eastern Pennsylvania for the year ending March 31, 1915.

You will be glad to note in the statistical report an increase of 15 Young Woman's Societies and 5 children's organizations. The credit is given to the associational directors whose faithfulness has made this possible.

Four new directors were appointed during the year. These directors sent in splendid reports. They are not only in touch with Young Woman's Societies, but also with Bible Classes and other organizations where it is possible to introduce study books and literature to be used in their programs.

In some associations the young women are members of the Woman's Societies and contribute through the woman's organization, but union societies are being formed all over the eastern part of the state. I wish I might report the societies which expect to organize in the near future. More and more our young women are coming to realize the extreme joy and pleasure in doing this part of the Master's work.

Mention must be made of the rallies. The Williamsport Rally of the Northumberland Association was a marked success under the direction of Miss Catharine Tuck, our capable Young Woman's Director. Original songs, pennants and our beloved colors all had their places. This rally did much to arouse the enthusiasm of the girls in the Williamsport churches. In February, during the Billy Sunday campaign, the largest rally ever held in Philadelphia was held in the First German Church were Miss Seils has her wonderful

German industrial class. A supper had been prepared and 250 young women attended. After supper Miss Rose Fairgrieve of the Billy Sunday Party made the first address which was followed by Miss Isabel Crawford in her charming Indian costume. A great missionary mass meeting was held for women and girls in the Metropolitan Opera House and Miss Grace Saxe of the Billy Sunday Party [illegible] urged young women to give their lives to missionary work. These meetings have done much to bring the young women of Philadelphia and vicinity to a conviction of their indifference and inspire them to take up definite missionary work. As a result, one young woman has been appointed as a director of our young woman's work; another has taken up work with the Italians in the Baptist Settlement House.

The statistical report shows more Sunday Schools adopting systematic study in all departments. Mission study classes have been formed, and Bible classes for young women have taken up mission study and contribute regularly to our national societies. We are so happy to have in Philadelphia Mrs. Reuben Mapelsden who is ever ready to suggest new plans and whom the young women admire and love wherever she goes. She sets a standard toward which we strive hoping to make ours the most progressive state in missionary work.

PENNSYLVANIA — (Western)

Young Women's State Director — MISS MARTHA M. COEN,
805 Amity St., Homestead

ASSOCIATIONS	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	No. of Missions taken.	[illegible]	[illegible]	No. of Young Woman's Mission Study Classes
Centre	Miss Laura S. Bellsnyder, 318 Allegheny St., Hollidaysburg	4	....	....	28	6	....	2
Clarion	Mrs. A. J. McMaster, 104 Walnut St., Brookville	4	4	....	4	6	..	3
Pittsburgh	Miss N. O. Judd, 25 E. Orchard Ave., Bellevue	19	18	117	86	334	18	19
Ten Mile	Miss Carrie Stoutt, E. High St., Waynesburg	6	1	....	25	2	2	.....
Indiana	Miss Edith M. Fleming, 1000 Grant St., Indiana	1	....	11	8	30	....	.....
French Creek	Miss Ida Morrison, Transfer	1	1	....	1	....	..	1
	Totals	35	24	128	146	365	20	27

PENNSYLVANIA — (Western)

Children's State Director — MISS MARTHA M. COEN, 805 Amity St., Homestead

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Centre	Miss Laura S. Baldridge, 513 Allegheny St., Hollidaysburg	3	12	....	4	3	2	....
Clarion	Mrs. A. J. McMurray, 166 Walnut St., Brookville	2	12	18	1	1	1	20
Indiana	Miss Edith M. Fleming, 1000 Grant St., Indiana	1	11	15	1	1	....	20
Pittsburgh	Mrs. N. O. Judd, 25 E. Orchard Ave., Bellevue	5	49	223	5	4	8	356
Ten Mile	Miss Carrie Stentz, E. High St., Waynesburg	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
French Creek	Miss Ida Morrison, Transfer	2	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
	Totals	13	84	256	11	9	11	396

RHODE ISLAND

State Director — MRS. J. L. PEACOCK, Westerly

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which hrve raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their appor'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Narragansett	Mrs. W. G. Thomas, Hope Valley	25	8	....	571	164	6	2	5	77	1	6
Providence	Mrs. T. S. Snow, 60 Cole St., Pawtucket	23	13	....	1414	504	8	3	7	333	8	9
Warren	Mrs. William Deaett, 100 Russel Ave., East Providence	27	13	2	2418	782	13	5	7	357	8	12
	Totals	75	34	2	4403	1450	27	10	19	767	17	27

The past year started with the inspiration of the meetings of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society held during the sessions of the Northern Baptist Convention in Boston. Such a privilege is rarely enjoyed by so many women. We felt much more closely in touch with the work and the workers.

After our Associational gatherings in the fall, it was a great joy to welcome Mrs. Lester to Rhode Island and to the old First Baptist Church of Providence. Her words of counsel and cheer gave us a theme to take through the year.

"In Red Man's Land" we have found a very popular book; the societies have studied it with peculiar interest.

A number of encouraging facts have come to our notice.

One director writes that in one society, whose apportionment had been met, a lady sent a gift as a "thank offering that they were freed from the ravages of war."

Another writes, "I am happy that so many of our societies have raised their apportionment." In answer to the question, "Has the war affected your gifts?" many responded, "The money came just the same."

One church is conducting a mission [illegible], composed of fourteen different nationalities.

The following increases are to be noted by a comparison of the statistical reports of this year and last:

An appreciable increase in the number of contributors.

An increase of [illegible] in the societies meeting the apportionment.

Twice as many societies have sent money quarterly.

An increase in the number of copies of *Missions* taken.

It is not possible to say, at this writing whether Rhode Island has met her apportionment. But judging from the record of gifts up to March 1st, it is the large city churches which seem to have been most affected by the depressing industrial conditions.

Whether our gifts have been largely decreased by the many appeals for the relief of physical suffering, both in this country and across the water, later reports will show.

Our Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society has had unusually well-attended meetings and has maintained its various activities, including the sending of a barrel to Mather School, arranging an institute for the study book, and the Day of Prayer.

In the Union Church, Pawtucket, [illegible] for Mrs. Hinds, our former State Director.

We have been constantly helped by the energy and faith of our District Secretary, Miss Huston, and have been encouraged to "press on" by her frequent letters.

RHODE ISLAND

Young Women's State Director — MISS MAUDE BIXBY NICHOLS,
9 Belair Ave., Providence

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Woman's Societies.	No. of [illegible]	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	[illegible]	[illegible]	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions.
Warren	Miss Elizabeth [illegible], Warren	5	5	35	8	[illegible]	..	1
Providence	Mrs. Arthur B. Strickland, 19 Arch St., Providence	11	11	[illegible]	21	171	2	6
Narragansett	Mrs. A. A. Gribbin, Pawtuxet	4	4	30	5	30	1	.....
	Total	20	20	151	34	[illegible]	3	10

RHODE ISLAND

Children's State Director — MISS MAUDE BIXBY NICHOLS, 9 Belair Ave., Providence

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Warren	Miss Elizabeth J. Freeborn, Warren	2	14	42	.....	.....	....	....
Providence	Mrs. Arthur B. Strickland, 49 Arch St., Providence	6	83	133	.....	.....	....	156
Narragansett	Mrs. A. A. Griffin, Peacedale	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....
	Totals	8	97	175	.....	.....	....	156

Another year of work for the Master has come to a close. The union work for Home and Foreign Missions by the Senior and Junior Directors has proved successful, simplifying the work and causing much less confusion in the minds of many.

We are delighted to find girls in our State preparing to give their lives to the service of our Master and devote themselves to spreading His Kingdom.

Our ranks have been depleted this year by the removal of Mrs. J. A. Hainer to Philadelphia. She was an efficient worker in the Providence Association and we were sorry to lose her. Mrs. Arthur B. Strickland, who follows her in Church work, is also to follow her in missionary work. She is most cordially welcomed as Director for the Providence Association.

Your Director received much help from a conference held in Boston in January, called by Miss Huston, to discuss problems with the Directors of the other New England States. Such conferences are indeed profitable to the work and workers.

Two very successful rallies of young women have been held in Rhode Island this year, the first occurring in October in connection with the United Campaign Meetings. A supper was held previously at which gathered a reunion of the Northfield girls under the direction of Mrs. Applegarth.

Your Director has tried to do the usual visiting and speaking, going if possible, whenever called for.

Our annual State Rally and Banquet occurred on February 26, with 250 present. This has come to be a very enthusiastic occasion which the girls anticipate exceedingly. Miss Jean Batty told of her work in South America. "The Illumination Ceremony" was given by a Society of Pathfinder Girls recently organized.

Mrs. Griffin told of a contest to secure greater efficiency among the Societies of Rhode Island. This contest will close on January 1, 1916, and the Society winning the highest number of points will receive a suitable emblem. The contest counts on an increase in membership, promptness in sending apportionment, number of delegates sent to Northfield, and subscriptions to *Missions*.

Our work has centered largely around the Pathfinder Societies, union organizations, which have been formed this year and which are still organizing. Several Fireside groups have started, arousing marked interest among the girls.

It is wished that more might be reported for the children's work, but "leaders" must be the continual appeal. The children will come, if only leaders will come forward to the rescue.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Director — MRS. J. S. SCHROEDER, Pierre

DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches entributing to Thank-Off.	No. of Women in the Society.	No. contributing to W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies paid their dues.	No. of Societies exceeded their dues.	No. of Societies forwarded Mite Boxes.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a Mission Study Class.	Amount contributed to Home Missions.
Mrs. L. G. Lockwood, Hot Springs	13	4	5	396	65	4		1	30		2
Miss Edna F. Sloane, Watertown	13	4	5	335	92	5	1	3	36		1
Mrs. Joseph Swenson, Viborg	10	..	5	.		2	.	.	.	.	.
Mrs. John Olthoff, Avon	12	.		250		.	.	.	.	.	.
Mrs. C. M. Spurr, Houghton	13	4	1	81	56	5	1	2	20	.	.
Mrs. A. R. Button, Burke	5	.	.	171	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Mrs. A. G. Calvin, Sioux Falls	13	6	3	550	445	9	6	3	95		6
Miss Lydia M. Hornbeck, Centerville	7	1	3	332	37	2	.	1	2	.	.
Mrs. C. A. Anderson, Salem, R. 1	11	1	9	444	65	9	4	.	23	.	1
Total	97	30	31	2659	758	36	12	10	206		12

SOUTH DAKOTA

Young Women's State Director — MRS. MARTHA E. S. COON, 1308 Norton Ave., Sioux Falls

ASSOCIATIONS.	YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Young Woman's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	Amount contributed to Home Missions
Sioux Falls	Miss Effie Ford, Sioux Falls		5	13	15	117		.
Second Alcester	Miss Laura Brown, Alcester		2					.
Dakota Norwegian	Miss Bertha Mauritson, Trent		2					.
Central	Miss Ethel Greenly, Clear Lake		2	26	12	16		2
Black Hills			2					.
German								.
Northern			1					.
Northwestern								.
Pinehead	Miss Alpha Faul, Dixon							.
Southern	Miss Eva Conklin, Canton		3	33	6		1	1
Total			17	72	33	133	1	3

During the year six young women have taken the detail work of as many Associations from the shoulders of the State Leader. They have done a great deal of work which does not show in the accompanying report. They have been most faithful in keeping in touch with the State Director and reporting to her their correspondence with the local societies or groups of young women. Their prayerful and earnest endeavor will surely bear fruit and no doubt has already accomplished much more than we can see.

The aim of State and Associational Directors has been to arouse and strengthen missionary interest, along lines of prayer, study, and money giving, through machinery already operating in the several churches. To this end much use has been made of Sunday school classes and allied organizations, such as Pathfinders. In the statistical report such organizations are counted as "union organizations" when they take the place of Young Woman's Missionary Societies, and as "Sunday School Classes studying and contributing to Missions" when they are found in a church in addition to a distinctly missionary society, or when they include others beside the girls, but are in touch with the Young Woman's Missionary Society work of the State.

Following is the present outline of our Home work:

1. To gain prayers and money for Miss Tenhaven.
2. To teach the girls to designate their money for this worker.
3. To assign a day which each group giving $3 to this worker may consider as the day upon which it supports the work of that missionary.

We hope that in the coming year we may be more successful in inducing the girls to read and study — so far as we know our efforts have accomplished little in that line.

The visit of Mrs. Stewart was a great help to us in South Dakota.

The greatest need here, in the opinion of the State Director, is for some one who thoroughly understands the working of both societies, and has a personal acquaintance with missionaries of this district — in other words, such another as Mrs. Stewart — to visit the churches and explain the organizations, plans of work, etc., and get the young women really started to work— They cannot understand, apparently, written directions as to remittances, organizing, arranging programs, etc. An hour or two of personal conference does more than pages of letters, and makes further work through correspondence practicable.

With earnest prayer that we may be led of God in the months to come, we enter into the new year with a great desire to awaken the Young Women of South Dakota to a full sense of their responsibilites in the Kingdom and of their God-given ability to serve Him.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Children's State Director — MISS EMMA B. YOURDON, Huron.

Association	Director	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing	No. of Women and Girls	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have	No. of Societies which have exceeded their	No. of Mission	No. of Circles	No. of Children's Bands
Black Hills											
Central											
Sioux Falls											
Southern											
Eastern											
Northern											
Total											

No report received.

UTAH

State Director — MRS. C. J. MCNITT, 847 East 2nd St., So., Salt Lake City

Association	Director	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing	No. of Women and Girls	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have	No. of Societies which have exceeded their	No. of Mission	No. of Circles	No. of Children's Bands
No Associations in State											
Total											

No report received.

VERMONT

State Director — MRS. J. A. GREENWOOD, Chester

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Addison.....	Mrs. Lyman G. Kent, Vergennes, R.F.D. 3..	9	4	4	230	100	5	2	1	36	.....	3
Danville.....	Miss Alice L. Bean, Newport.....	18	5	3	288	100	4	....	.....	29	.....	1
Vermont Central.....	Mrs. Frank F. Cave, 11 French St., Barry .	21	4	4	75	70	4	1	1	20	2	2
Shaftsbury....	Mrs. C. A. Bixby..... Poultney.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Woodstock....	Mrs. J. E. Gay, Cavendish.....	16	9	4	506	248	6	2	3	94	2	7
Lamoille.....	Mrs. C. H. Aiken, Richford.....	19	5	3	283	75	4	....	2	33	1	2
Windham.....	Miss Kate Wheeler, West Brattleboro....	17	8	3	478	215	5	5	2	109	3	6
	Totals.....	100	35	21	1860	808	28	10	9	321	8	21

"The Christian who has earnestly endeavored to live and act in accord with the will of God and the teachings and example of His Lord and Master should not come to the end of the year with dull regret, but with confidence in the unfailing goodness of God and in his purpose of fidelity to His will. He can and should say:

'I have performed my share of the task,
The rest is God's concern.'"

As I read these words, I wondered if we had performed our share of the task given us. If we had, I am sure we should not have had the words of our Secretary telling us of a deficit. Whatever is in the past of failures, we hope will be very gently dealt with, and may we look upon the future with hopefulness.

However, dollars and cents do not always express the work of a year. Brattleboro sent a box to a missionary family in Oklahoma valued at $225. Also a box to Mather School valued at $35. Chester sent two barrels to Mather school valued at $88. Whiting sent a barrel to the Indians.

We are sure all these things help our missionaries in the work they are trying to do for Him.

Perhaps we do not see a large advance in the work this year over other years but it may be best and surest to have "line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little."

VERMONT

Young Women's State Director —

Address	Young Women's Directors	No. of Young Women's Societies.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	
Westfield	Miss Edith Wheeler, West Brattleboro	1	6	6	10	....	
Woodstock	Mrs. J. R. Gay, Cavendish	4	16	1	26	....	
La Moille	Mrs. C. H. Adams, Hartford	1	6	....	28	1	
	Totals	6	28	7	64	1	

VERMONT

Children's State Director —

Address	Children's Directors							
Addison	Mrs. Lyman Root, R.D. 3, Vergennes							
Shaftsbury	Mrs. Chester A. Bailey, Pratts-							
Windham	Miss Kate R. Wheeler, West Brattleboro	1	6	21	4	2	1	1
Woodstock	Mrs. J. R. Gay, Cavendish	4	25	16	1	6	1	4
	Totals	5	31	37	5	8	2	5

WASHINGTON — (Eastern)

State Director — MRS. PHEBE H. SAWYER, 410 Lindelle Block, Spokane

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceed their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of MISSIONS taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Spokane.....	Mrs. Phebe H. Sawyer, 410 Lindelle Blk. Spokane.....	25	20	1	573	259	7	1	6	110	4	4
Columbia.....	Mrs. S. Grant Smith, 16 S. 5th Ave., N. Yakima	16	6	....	220	....	5	1	2	39	2	2
Camas Prairie, Ida.....	Mrs. Chas. Gelbach, Kooskia, Idaho.....	8	3	4	100	....	1	....	1	1	.....	....
Mt. Pleasant...	Mrs. E. A. Knight, 838 Whitman St., Walla Walla.....	5	2	....	298	65	2	1	2	23	2	2
Big Bend.....	Mrs. John Porter, 204 D St., N., Wenatchee.....	7	3	....	120	30	3	....	1	9	1	....
Palouse.....	Mrs. Sarah H. Knapp, Palouse.....	9	6	....	115	50	2	....	1	19	.....	....
	Totals.....	70	40	5	1426	404	20	3	13	201	9	8

My acquaintance with the women of the inland Empire is proving most valuable to the work, there is a freedom about writing me regarding missionary literature and all other interests pertaining to our Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, that they could not have had only for seeing and knowing their Director. The work is growing steadily but surely in the hearts of our women. Our problems are somewhat difficult because of the restlessness and ever-changing location of our people. Distances are great from town to town, and towns are small. My work of visiting the societies has been both helpful to me as well as the societies. Four hundred twenty-nine letters have been written.

There has been no worker in our part of the State, consequently the work has all devolved upon me, therefore the mistakes are easily located. Miss Crawford was taken from us for a larger field, which was a sorrow indeed to our women for they had all learned to love her, although her time among us was short.

However I feel the past year has been one of large opportunities and successes. The women of the First Church, Spokane, have had their hearts gladdened by our young women organizing a society which is doing a splendid work.

WASHINGTON — (Western)

State Director — MRS. H. W. FOSTER, 302 Olympic Pl., Seattle

Association	Director											
Seattle	Mrs. W. B. Masters, 610 Agnes Ave., Seattle	35	17	...	300	300	10	8	19	100	1	2
Puget Sound	Mrs. Mary D. Perry, 1011 N. Adams St., Tacoma	25	13	...	210	110	4	3	4	90	1	3
Bellingham Bay	Mrs. W. B. Hawkes, 203 Forest St., Mt. Vernon	9	8	...	100	100	3	2	4	55	2	2
Columbia	Mrs. J. C. Ingersoll, 1704 Lincoln Ave., Chehalis											
	Totals	69	38	...	610	510	23	13	27	245	4	7

1 Organized. 2 Associate. 3 Auxiliary. 4 Camp Fire Girls. 5 Girl Reserves. 6 Blue Triangle Clubs. 7 Business Girls' Clubs. 8 Industrial Clubs. 9 Clubs for Foreign Born. 10 Clubs for Colored Girls. 11 Clubs for Indian Girls. 12 Clubs for Mexican Girls. 13 Clubs for Oriental Girls. 14 Clubs for Porto Rican Girls. 15 Clubs for Rural Girls. 16 Clubs for Girls in Institutions. 17 Clubs for Girls in Transient Homes. 18 Clubs for Girls in Trade Schools. 19 Clubs for Girls in Vocational Schools. 20 Clubs for Girls in Other Schools. 21 Clubs for Girls in Colleges. 22 Clubs for Girls in Universities. 23 Clubs for Girls in Other Institutions. 24 Clubs for Girls in Other Places. 25 Number of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.

WEST VIRGINIA

State Director — MRS. WALTER B. PIMM, Philippi

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Broad Run....	Mrs. G. W. Broyles, Buckhannon.....	35	5	1	241	54	2	....	.....	15	1	....
Coal River....	Mrs. Collie Griffeth, Griffethsville.....	24	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Elk Valley.....	Mrs. J. E. Baughman, Sutton.....	40	5	....	109	80	4	1	3	11	.....	....
Eastern.....	Miss Griselda Combs, Ruckman.....	11	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Goshen.....	Mrs. D. B. Purinton, 85 Grand View Ave., Morgantown.....	18	2	5	567	22	7	1	4	22	1	1
Judson.....	Miss Clara Wilson, Fairview.....	41	7	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Kanawha Valley.....	Mrs. L. C. Belches, 427 Columbia Ave., Charleston.....	60	4	....	812	245	3	1	2	95	.....	....
Pan Handle....	Mrs. H. L. Bond, 2141 Chapline St., Wheeling.....	16	8	2	407	136	8	1	3	97	1	....
Parkersburg...	Mrs. E. F. Schneider, Mineral Wells, R.D. 3.	30	6	2	972	223	4	....	1	58	2	3
Raleigh.....	Mrs. E. Z. Burgess, Beckley.....	27	5	....	356	148	3	....	1	18	1	1
Greenbrier.....	Miss Aura Stevens, Alderson.....	52	7	....	240	140	4	2	2	40	1	....
Guyandotte....	Mrs. H. E. Jackson, Milton.....	38	5	....	416	117	4	3	2	17	2	2
Harmony.....	Mrs. J. M. Fox, Kyger..	47	6	....	....	95	2	....	1	11	.....	2
Rock Castle...	Mrs. S. M. Edwards, Keystone.....	37	1	....	56	18	1	....	.....	5	.....	....
Teays Valley...	Mrs. Leed Longs, Gallipolis, Ohio.....	37	1	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Twelve Pole...	Miss Melissa Walker, Genova.....	15	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Union.....	Mrs. E. F. Garrett, Bridgeport.....	40	5	....	1212	249	5	1	1	33	.....	....
Harrisville.....	Mrs. Ord Watson, Burnt House.....	24	1	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Hopewell.....	Mrs. L. E. McClung, Rupert (acting).....	33	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Mt. Pisgah....	Mrs. J. F. Cook, Glenville.....	37	4	....	48	36	3	2	1	16	1	....
	Totals.....	662	76	10	5437	1563	50	12	21	438	10	9

As I compare this report with last year's, I find some growth in numbers, but statistics do not really tell all. This first year of service has been spent in "getting acquainted" with the women of our State. All over the State, on the mountains and in the valleys, are many women who are deeply interested, and eager to learn more about Missions.

A great many of our churches are country churches, holding but one service a month. They are from two to twenty miles from a railroad. These are the churches that need visits from our Missionaries and General Workers.

One especially encouraging phase, is the number of young women who are planning for definite service. We are especially grateful to the Society for sending Miss Kidd and Miss Cooper to us. We received inspirations, that caused a greater interest and deeper consecration.

We regret our Young Woman's Director was compelled to resign so soon after her appointment but hope to fill the vacancy soon. It has been a privilege to do the work, and I feel I have received many blessings from it; but, oh, there is so much needs to be done. As we stand on the threshold of another year, pray that we may feel it a privilege to consecrate to the work, that each one may feel a personal responsibility, that we may pray more earnestly for a deeper consecration.

WEST VIRGINIA

Young Women's State Director —

Associations.	Young Women's Directors.	No. of Young Woman's Societies.	No. of Union Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Missions taken.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes.	No. of Young Woman's S. S. Classes studying and ... ting to Hor... M...ions.
Broad Run	Miss Nelle Bailey, Weston, R. D.							
Elk Valley	Mrs. [illegible] Duckwall, [illegible]							
Greenbrier	Mrs. [illegible] [illegible]							
Pan Handle	Miss [illegible] [illegible]lle	3	3	42	15	52	2	
Parkersburg	Miss Alice [illegible], Parkersburg	1	1			113	1	
Raleigh	Mrs. E. Z. [illegible], Beckley	1	1	10	1			
Union	Miss Nannie Lowe, Clarksburg	3	3			3	3	
	Totals	8	8	52	16	168	6	

WEST VIRGINIA

Children's State Director —

Associations.	Children's Directors.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S. S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S. S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of Members of Baby Bands.
Goshen								
Pan Handle								
Union	Miss Nannie Lowe, Clarksburg	1	24	25		1		
	Totals	1	24	25		1		

WISCONSIN

State Director — MRS. J. L. PETTIGREW, 135 Algoma St., Oshkosh
Cor. Sec.— MISS EDITH M. HOLSTON, 1717 Wells St., Milwaukee

ASSOCIATIONS.	DIRECTORS.	No. of Churches.	No. of Societies.	No. of Churches contributing without Societies.	No. of Women and Girls in the Association.	No. contributing to the W. A. B. H. M. S.	No. of Societies which have raised their apportionment.	No. of Societies which have exceeded their apport'm't.	No. of Societies which have forwarded their money to Hdqtrs. at least quarterly.	No. of Missions taken.	No. of Churches having a systematic presentation of Home Missions in S. S.	No. of S.S. which have contributed to W.A.B.H.M.S.
Central	Mrs. Elsie O. Barnes, Waupaca	18	9	5	687	163	10	6	7	62	5	3
Dano-Norwegian		10	2	4	241	....	1	....	.....	....	.....	....
Dodge	Mrs. Grace Taylor, 209 N. Division, Beaver Dam	12	6	5	341	....	7	2	.....	30	.....	1
Eau Claire	Mrs. G. E. Carr, Barron	22	11	1	608	71	8	3	.....	19	1	....
German	Mrs. F. W. C. Meyer, 606 Garfield Ave., Milwaukee	17	10	1	1166	....	8	2	3	27	7	....
Janesville	Mrs. W. H. Baumes, 603 Harrison Ave., Beloit	11	7	4	851	142	7	3	4	54	2	3
La Crosse	Mrs. E. C. Davis, 1008½ Pine St., La Crosse	11	4	3	494	130	8	2	.....	57	3	3
La Fayette	Miss Roselle Pennock, Lancaster	8	3	....	197	105	5	2	4	95	2	2
Lake Superior	Mrs. D. B. Cheney, Hughitt Ave., Superior	1	1	....	91	60	1	....	.....	....	.....	....
Madison	Mrs. C. E. Schreiber, 308 Huntington Ct., Madison	10	7	1	660	144	5	2	3	47	4	3
Milwaukee	Mrs. George L. Tifft, Wauwatosa	27	16	10	2312	677	22	9	10	176	7	4
Polish		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....
Swedish	Mrs. L. J. Olson, 723 2nd Ave., W. Ashland	29	23	....	911	....	9	5	2	13	.....	....
Walworth	Mrs. H. C. Congdon, 218 Matthew St., Delavan	10	7	1	473	186	7	6	.....	75	4	1
Winnebago	Mrs. J. M. Hill, 176 Sheboygan St., Fond du Lac	26	12	7	1419	499	17	8	.....	133	6	5
	Totals	212	118	42	10451	2167	115	50	33	788	41	25

As usual the statistical report is disappointing because it does not do justice to the good work our Wisconsin women have done. We hope through quarterly reports this coming year to get more complete statistics.

The financial results of the year's work are gratifying, Wisconsin having exceeded its apportionment by over six hundred dollars. One hundred and fifteen churches raised their apportionment, and fifty exceeded it. Many of our churches have sent one fourth of their apportionment each quarter and others are planning to do so this year.

Mid-Year conferences were held in ten of our Associations in January, thereby reaching many churches.

Judging from the demand for literature, our women are seeking to keep themselves informed in regard to the work.

Our city missionaries, Miss Augusta Johnson, Miss Anna Dingel, Miss Augusta Jordon, and Miss Amalia Patz are doing splendid work. The winter has been a hard one among the poor people and our workers have been greatly taxed in trying to meet the needs. The churches of Milwaukee and the State made it possible for them to relieve much suffering.

We are grateful for a flying visit from Mrs. Magaw and the promise of one from Miss Crawford.

We are hopeful of a good work this coming year on the part of a larger number of women.

MISS EDITH M. HOLSTON.

WISCONSIN

Young Women's State Director — MRS. HENRY LINDSAY
296 Prospect Ave., Milwaukee

Associations	Young Women's Diocesan	No. of Young Women's Auxiliaries	No. of Young Women's Junior Auxiliaries	No. of Members	No. of Missionaries taken	No. contributed to the W. A. B. M. S.	No. of Mission Study Classes	No. of Young Woman's S. Classes studying and contributing to Home Missions
Central	Mrs. Ella Spicer, Wauzeka							
Dane-Northside	Miss J. M. Cheadle, 304 E. B. St., Janesville							
Dodge	Mrs. Grace Taylor, 208 W. Sumner St., Lower Dam	4	4	24	1		1	2
Eau Claire	Mrs. G. I. Carr, Berry	5	1	7	2	16		
Germania	Mrs. F. W. C. Meyer, 60 Cocheli Ave., Milwaukee							
La Crosse	Mrs. J. C. [illegible], 1008 Pine St., La Crosse	1	1	11	15	15		
La Fayette	Miss Bessie McKenny, Hollandale							
Lake Superior								
Madison	Mrs. Isaac Hodgin, 707 W. Johnson St., Madison	6	6	9	10	17	1	1
Milwaukee	Mrs. S. A. McKillop, 410 26th Ave., Milwaukee	5	5	65	34	121	2	55
Walworth	Mrs. H. A. Cornelius, 218 Montana St., Delavan	1	1	11	3	24	1	
Winnebago	Mrs. Flora Hall, 170 Sadoquet St., Fond du Lac	3	2	13	1	47		2
Janesville	Mrs. William Bostow, 603 Harrison Ave., Beloit	2	2	8	12	41	2	
Swedish	Mrs. E. J. Olson, 720 21 Ave., W., Ashland,							
	Totals	34	22	146	65	278	7	60

WISCONSIN

Children's Director — MRS. HENRY LINDSAY, 296 Prospect Ave., Milwaukee

ASSOCIATIONS.	CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS.	No. of Children's Organizations.	No. of Meetings held.	No. of Members.	No. of S.S. having presentation of Home Missions in the Primary and Junior Departments.	No. of S.S. where Primary and Junior Departments contribute to the W.A.B.H.M.S.	No. of Baby Bands.	No. of members of Baby Bands.
Eau Claire	Mrs. G. E. Carr, Barron	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
German	Mrs. F. W. C. Meyer, 606 Garfield Ave., Milwaukee	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Janesville	Mrs. William Baumes, 603 Harrison Ave., Beloit	1	2	128	1	1	1	128
La Crosse	Mrs. E. C. Davis, 1008½ Pine St., La Crosse	2	....	....	1	1	....	....
La Fayette	Miss Bonnie McKenny, Dodgeville	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lake Superior	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Milwaukee	Mrs. S. A. McKillop, 419 24th Ave., Milwaukee	....	....	....	1	1	1	50
Walworth	Mrs. H. A. Congdon, 218 Matthew St., Delavan	2	....	36	1	1	1	35
Polish	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Central	Mrs. Elsie Barnes, Waupaca	1	52	....	1	1	1	30
Dodge	Mrs. Grace Taylor, 209 N. Division St., Beaver Dam	....	....	8	1	1	1	60
Madison	Mrs. John Linden, 707 W. Johnson St., Madison	6	....	....	1	1	....	....
Swedish	Mrs. L. J. Olson, 723 2nd Ave., W., Ashland	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Winnebago	Mrs. Flora Hill, 176 Sheboygan St., Fond du lac	....	12	....	1	1	2	20
Dano-Norwegian	Mrs. T. M. Christensen, Box 82, R. D. 2, Caledonia	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
	Totals	12	66	172	8	8	7	323

The Young Women's work still lacks organization, and it is shown when tabulating the reports of the Associations.

Our young women have been eagerly engaged in meeting the many demands for material help the past winter in local and state work. A demand for missionary plays and mission study books is very gratifying.

WYOMING

State Director — MRS. GEORGE VAN WINKLE, 2519 House St., Cheyenne

Associations	Districts											
No Associations	in the State	32	7	5	321	97	12	1	1	40	3	1
	Totals	32	7	5	321	97	12	1	1	40	3	1

Our State is distinctively Home Mission Territory, only two churches being self-supporting. It is impossible to have organizations in many of our weaker churches, but they manifest their interest in Home Missions by giving liberally to our State Mission work.

Every church in the state is sent an apportionment for the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, and many of them which have no society respond to this call.

We have a plan to establish Mission Reading Circles in churches where no organization can be formed.

The splendid work of Miss Rayner in the mining camps near Sheridan, well represents the work done by the missionaries of our Society.

Miss Morgan's field of activity covers six or seven hundred miles, but she is able to do effective work and keep in touch with the scattered churches in Central and Southern Wyoming. We want to thank the Society for these earnest workers.

GOODS

Donations in goods sent to missionaries, not included in cash receipts. The valuation of goods does not apply on the apportionment.

California	$ 42 50
Colorado	21 00
Connecticut	8 00
Illinois	9 00
Iowa	45.75
Kansas	26 08
Massachusetts	123 50
Michigan	14.97
New Jersey	8.50
New York	349.73
North Dakota	30.00
Ohio	39.45
Oregon	29.00
Pennsylvania	125.50
Wisconsin	45.00
Total	$920.98

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society in Account with Emma C. Marshall

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915

GENERAL FUND AND TRAINING SCHOOL

Dr.

	Apportionment	Individual and Specific	Legacies
[illegible]	[illegible]		
[illegible]	401.45	$ 10.00	.....
[illegible]	2.05	1.00	.....
[illegible]	5,490.39	1,006.50	$ 215.00
[illegible]	1,727.73	146.92	.....
[illegible]	4,865.26	1,549.50	597.72
[illegible]	10.00	3.00	.....
[illegible]	357.14	.....	.....
[illegible]	1,231.78	12.00	100.00
[illegible]	2.50		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	14,572.50	1,152.73	800.00
[illegible]	5,278.67	346.50	.....
[illegible]	4,747.48	261.68	229.00
[illegible]	3,985.30	476.17	451.41
[illegible]	[illegible]		
[illegible]	3,755.63	624.75	5,000.00
[illegible]	50.00	.....	.....
[illegible]	17,692.37	5,908.33	525.00
[illegible]	7,081.21	284.75	.....
[illegible]	5,093.98	138.35	.....
[illegible]	.....	10.00	
[illegible]	1,924.56	89.50	35.74
[illegible]	235.07	52.20	.....
[illegible]	2,344.82	185.75	850.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	2,486.13	286.00	125.00
[illegible]	9,428.15	216.00	100.00
[illegible]	34,768.59	6,654.93	6,134.31
[illegible]	6.00	50.00	.....
[illegible]	764.82	31.05	.....
[illegible]	9,072.42	486.75	5.00
[illegible]	1,311.90	.50	.....
[illegible]	1,566.72	273.00	.....
[illegible]	11,647.82	403.80	20.00
[illegible]	3,828.56	130.00	3,020.00
[illegible]	15.25	2.00	.....
[illegible]	1,086.66	27.75	.....
[illegible]	31.16	.....	.....
[illegible]	89.45	.....	.....
[illegible]	1,914.25	1.00	.....
[illegible]	89.57	20.25	.....
[illegible]	1,586.59	218.31	.....

Dr.

West Virginia	$1,563.69	$ 37.70	.....
Wisconsin	3,144.04	471.13	.....
Wyoming	119.70	6.00	.....
New England	.....	20.00	.....
General Missionary Soc. of German Baptist Churches	585.89	.....	.....
German N. W. Conf. W. M. U.	.....	13.00	.....
Insurance — Saddle Mtn.	.....	11.00	.....
Surplus Prim. School Funds — Cuba	.....	310.55	.....
B. M. T. S.— Alumnæ Assoc.	.....	25.00	.....
Refunds	.....	20.20	.....
Literature, Mite Boxes, Training School Pins and Young Ladies' Pins	.....	3,827.67	.....
Rent — 2411 Indiana Ave.	.....	1,857.02	.....
W. A. B. F. M. S.— Rent	.....	610.00	.....
Interest Permanent Funds	.....	4,494.58	.....
Board at Training School	.....	7,110.41	.....
	$166,491.20	$39,901.73	$18,208.18
Total			$224,601.11

Receipts for General Work and Training School	$207,155.40	General Disbursements	$214,452.74
Specifics	2,708.95	Transferred to Permanent and Annuity Funds	14,736.76
For Permanent and Annuity Funds	14,736.76	On Deposit New England Trust Co	500.00
On Deposit New England Trust Co	500.00	Cash on hand April 1, 1915	113.81
Cash on hand April 1, 1914	4,702.20		
	$229,803.31		$229,803.31

Unpaid Bills April 1, 1915	$5,296.53
Cash on hand April 1, 1915	113.81
Deficit	$5,182.72

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Mission Work, $167,196.96

By Cash to Missionaries on Field of Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society			$92,022.21
" Missionary Teachers and Matrons			52,328.22
" Special Donations			382.88
" Special Appropriations			457.20
" Baptist Missionary Training School:			
President, Instructors, Matron, and President's Secretary	$6,246.47		
Salary and Expenses of Field Workers	2,038.80		
Postage, Office Supplies, Etc	96.66		
Servants	3,587.07		
Light and Fuel	1,568.73		
Table, Household and Laundry Expenses	6,026.02		
Furnishing and Equipment	354.21		
Repairs and Decorating	277.70		
Students' Car-fare	308.40		
Library Supplies	92.88		
Industrial School Supplies	12.75		
Music	11.58		
Expressage	37.78		
Commencement Expenses	40.00		
Tuning and Repairing Pianos	24.00		
Elevator Inspection	8.00		
Traveling Expenses	241.36		
Advertising	1,034.04		
			$22,006.45

Cr.

Promotion of Interest and Beneficence, $27,009.84

By Cash to	District Secretaries	$5,868.07
"	[illegible]	[illegible]
"	[illegible]	1,[illegible].42
"	Summer Schools and Missionary Conferences	133.05
"	Council of Women for Home Missions	50.00
"	Exhibit at Panama Exposition	100.00
"	United Missionary Campaign (Advertising)	206.77
"	Advertising Annuities	81.69
"	Express, Freight, Telegrams, etc	705.94
"	Missionary Literature	5,815.72
"	Postage	632.79
"	Editorial Secretary and Assistant	760.00
"	State Work	2,821.08
"	Missions Deficit	1,574.00
"	[illegible]	[illegible]

Administration, $13,082.16

By Cash to	Corresponding Secretary and Assistants	$4,080.00
"	Treasurer and Assistants	2,420.00
"	Editorial Secretary and Assistant	760.00
"	Boston Office Expenses	1,859.07
"	[illegible]	[illegible]
"	Stationary and General Office Expenses	542.68
"	[illegible]	[illegible]
"	Telephone	135.45
"	Audit	50.00
"	Legal Services	86.00
"	Interest on Borrowed Money	1,230.54
"	Expenses, Annual Meeting	577.44

Miscellaneous, $7,163.78

By Cash to	Taxes and Repairs on Property	$890.81
"	Interest on Mortgage — Seattle Property	175.00
"	Insurance	571.25
"	Annuities	3,169.91
"	American Baptist Home Mission Society ⅔ of Sunday School Contributions	994.96
"	General Apportionment Committee of Northern Baptist Convention	1,351.85
"	[illegible]	[illegible]
		$214,452.74
Transferred to Invested Funds		[illegible]
		$229,189.50

Auditor's Certificate

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of Emma C. Marshall, Treasurer of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, for the year ending March 31, 1915, and have found the same to be correct. J. ADDISON RUSSELL, Auditor.

Permanent Funds of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society

Helen E. Crosby Fund	$ 500.00
Borden Fund	[illegible]
Robbins Fund	50.00
Mary Newell Drown Fund	[illegible]
Emeline S. Taylor Fund	1,[illegible]
Pyne Fund	3,[illegible]
Harriet H. Bartlett Fund	[illegible]
Higgins, Pyne Memorial and Bixby Fund	4,[illegible]
Whittemore Memorial Fund	200.00
Du Bois Fund	1,[illegible]
Flint Fund	5,[illegible]
Ellen M. B. Winch Fund	10,000.00
Georgiana Gilmore Memorial Fund	1,003.12
Hannah Mulford Fund	3,000.00
Catharine Williams Fund	500.00
Frances E. Smith Fund	318.00
Fidelia D. Eaton Fund	11,478.99

Margaret Sprague Pillsbury Fund	$5,000.00
Bena Voigt Fund	200.00
Jennie E. Low Fund	3,000.00
Deacon Foster Fund	100.00
Mrs. Wm. A. Moore Fund	650.00
Martha Van Ness Fund	511.12
Mrs. Ed. R. Jones Fund	25.00
Harriet Barker Hewitt Fund	4,000.00
Anna S. Leonard Fund	1,000.00
Helen D. Hicks Fund	2,968.00
Mrs. Mary Foster Fund	117.46
Conaway and Birch Fund	5,000.00
Sarah H. Stacy Fund	1,500.00
Louise Shaver Fund	500.00
The L. and F. W. Dimock Fund	1,000.00
Mrs. Abarintha A. E. Estes Fund	25.00
John W. Low Fund	2,000.00
Fannie Barnes Memorial Fund	155.00
Sarah A. Skolfield Fund	500.00
Elizabeth H. Sprague Fund	5,000.00
Ellen M. White Fund	1,000.00
Bessie Louise Baker Memorial Fund	2,000.00
	$79,925.69

Temporary Fund

Mexican Fund	$7,027.07

The value of the property held by the Society is estimated as follows:

Headquarters of Society and Baptist Missionary Training School Building, 2969 Vernon Ave., Chicago	$150,000
Old Baptist Missionary Training School Building, 2411 Indiana Ave., Chicago	22,500
Japanese Home, Seattle, Washington	10,000
Alaskan Orphanage, Wood Island, Alaska	7,000
Mather School, Beaufort, S. C.	7,000
Mission property at Saddle Mountain, Oklahoma, Sunlight Mission, Arizona, and Fallon, Nevada, and vacant property in Clark Co., Wisconsin	6,000
Farm Land, Roseville, Ill.	32,000

Annuity Funds

Miss Rachel A. Williams	$3,000.00
Mrs. Mary S. Smith	1,837.16
Mrs. Lucy A. Isbell	200.00
Miss May C. Hamilton	600.00
Mrs. Ellen M. White	1,000.00
Miss Louise Snyder	250.00
Miss Elizabeth Hicks	300.00
Mrs. Helen N. Hopkins	1,000.00
Mrs. Lucinda A. Van Desman	1,000.00
Miss Mary E. Burrows	1,000.00
Mrs. Jane I. Lewis	2,000.00
Miss Sarah A. Grady	400.00
Mrs. Chas. W. Knowles	225.00
Dr. D. J. Harris	20,000.00
Mrs. Susan N. McLane	1,000.00
Miss Harriet W. Onderdonk	1,000.00
Miss Elvira L. Austin	500.00
Chris Olsen	2,800.00
Mrs. Sarah E. Mallory	500.00
Mrs. Mary Tyrrell	500.00
Miss Caroline Buechel	100.00
Miss Martha Van Ness	1,900.00
Mrs. Mary E. Hodge	500.00
V. M. and Effie S. Spalding	2,000.00
Miss Carrie E. Waugh	1,000.00
Mrs. Harriet P. Safford	300.00
Mary E. Warren	1,000.00
A friend	500.00
Matilda C. Cox	1,000.00
Mrs. M. E. Duke	500.00
Mrs. Ella Sanders	500.00
Miss Cornelia Mead	300.00
Mrs. Sarah E. White	5,000.00
Mrs. Flora M. Thomas	1,500.00
Miss Mary E. Clark	265.00
	$55,477.16

Appendix E

Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS
Ford Building, Boston, Mass.

HOME ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLICATION DEPARTMENT
450 East 30th Street, Chicago

1914-1915

Continuing the
Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society
and the
Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society
of the West

CHARTER

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

BE IT KNOWN, that whereas Mary L. Colby, Elizabeth L. M. Williams, Sylvina Nickerson, Mary O. Loud, Amanda G. Chase, Mehitable A. Ballard, Caroline A. Benton, Adelaide L. Pierce, Hannah C. Hill, Mary E. Clarke, Sophia B. Packard, and others have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society, for the purpose of the Christianization of women in foreign lands, etc., with a capital of an amount not established, nor divided into shares, and have complied with the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the Certificate of the President, Treasurer, and Directors of said corporation, duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations, and recorded in this office:

Now, therefore, I, Oliver Warner, Secretary of the Commonwealth of M[illegible], DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that said Mary L. Colby, Elizabeth L. M. Williams, Sylvina Nickerson, Mary O. Loud, Amanda G. Chase, Mehitable A. Ballard, Caroline A. Benton, Adelaide L. Pierce, Hannah C. Hill, Mary E. Clarke, Sophia B. Packard, and others, their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as, and are hereby made, an existing corporation under the name of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society, with the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties, and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

Witness my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed, this ninth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

OLIVER WARNER,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[L. S.]

AN ACT

To change the name of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society.

Section 1. The Woman's Baptist Missionary Society, a corporation established in Boston under the general laws of this Commonwealth the ninth day of November in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, shall take the name of the "Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society."

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Acts of Massachusetts, 1883, Chapter 43; *approved March* 14, 1883.

House No. 1634

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fourteen

AN ACT

To change the name of the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, and to authorize it to hold additional real and personal estate.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1. The name of the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, a corporation duly established by law in this commonwealth, is hereby changed to Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

Section 2. The Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society may, for the purposes of its incorporation, take and hold in fee simple or otherwise, lands, tenements and hereditaments by gift, grant, purchase or devise, not exceeding in value one million dollars, and may also take and hold by gift, grant, donation or bequest personal estate to an amount not exceeding five million dollars.

Section 3. The Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society shall meet annually at such time and place as it may appoint within the United States of America.

Section 4. This act shall take effect on the 15th day of May, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

NATIONAL OFFICERS

Honorary President, Mrs. John Edwin Scott, Pasadena, Cal.
President, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, 110 Harvard St., Rochester, N. Y.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Mrs. H. W. Peabody, Beverly, Mass.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, Glencoe, Ill.
Record Sec'y, Mrs. T. E. Adams, 2235 E. 40th St., Cleveland, O.
Foreign Secretary, Mrs. H. G. Safford, Ford Bldg., Boston, Mass.
Associate Foreign Sec'y, Miss N. G. Prescott, Ford Bldg., Boston, Mass.
Gen. Field Secretary, Miss Ella D. MacLaurin, 450 E. 30th St., Chicago.
Home Secretary, Miss Eleanor Ware, 450 E. 30th St., Chicago.
Treasurer, Miss Alice E. Stedman, Ford Bldg., Boston, Mass.
Publisher, Miss Frances K. Burr, 450 E. 30th St., Chicago.

BOARD OF MANAGERS

President, Mrs. William A. Montgomery, 110 Harvard St., Rochester, N. Y.
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Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, Glencoe, Ill.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. T. E. Adams, 2235 E. 40th St., Cleveland, O.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

Miss Helen W. Munroe, 111 Chestnut St., Cambridge, Mass.
Miss Grace T. Colburn, 1335 Centre St., Newton Centre, Mass.

NEW YORK DISTRICT

Mrs. R. B. Montgomery, 484 Willoughby St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Mrs. Walter C. Mason, Garden City, L. I., New York.

ATLANTIC DISTRICT

Mrs. E. O. Silver, 66 North Walnut St., East Orange, N. J.
Mrs. H. N. Jones, 502 Roger Williams Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT

Mrs. T. J. Kirkpatrick, 1603 E. High St., Springfield, O.
Miss Lucia Mae Manning, Anderson, Ind.

CENTRAL DISTRICT

Miss Elizabeth Church, 3144 Vernon Ave., Chicago.
*Mrs. H. E. Goodman, 5753 Woodlawn Ave., Chicago.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

Mrs. Minnie Moody, 588 Third Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.
Mrs. Geo. E. Young, 3021 Park Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT

Mrs. F. W. Foster, 2007 Pinkney St., Omaha, Neb.
*Mrs. H. A. Ballenger, 721 Willow Ave., Council Bluffs, Ia.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Mrs. R. B. Smith, 1314 Downing St., Denver, Colo.
Mrs. F. W. Hart, 1016 30th St., Denver, Colo.

COLUMBIA RIVER DISTRICT

Mrs. G. F. Dearborn, 108 Ward St., Seattle, Wash.
Mrs. James Failing, 243 11th St., Portland, Ore.

PACIFIC COAST DISTRICT

Mrs. F. G. Cressey, Hollywood, Los Angeles, Cal.
Mrs. T. S. Tompkins, 779 S. Pasadena Ave., Pasadena, Cal.

AT LARGE

Mrs. C. D. Eulette, 6421 Stewart Ave., Chicago.
Mrs. Milton Shirk, Kenwood Hotel, Chicago.
Mrs. W. A. McKinney, 5549 Woodlawn Ave., Chicago.
Mrs. E. R. Champlin, Hotel Somerset, Boston, Mass.
Mrs. W. H. P. Faunce, 180 Hope St., Providence, R. I.
Mrs. Geo. B. Germond, 171 Lincoln St., New Britain, Conn.
Mrs. Chas. W. Gale, Norwich, Conn.

*Resigned.

Elected by District Board:

Central District—Mrs. D. W. Beggs, 2421 Millard Ave., Chicago.
West Central District—Mrs. Kate Kelsey, 1616 Evans St., Omaha, Neb.

LIST OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

ATLANTIC DISTRICT

President, Mrs. Howard Wayne Smith, 4107 Pine St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Mrs. Edgar O. Silver, 66 N. Walnut St., East Orange, N. J.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. H. N. Jones, 502 Roger Williams Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.
Treasurer, Mrs. DeWitt P. Ballard, 6416 N. 11th St., Oak Lane, Philadelphia, Pa.

CENTRAL DISTRICT

President, Mrs. T. T. Leete, Jr., 64 Alexandrine Ave., Detroit, Mich.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Miss Elizabeth Church, 3144 Vernon Ave., Chicago.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. D. W. Beggs, 2421 Millard Ave., Chicago.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. W. Peterson, 10901 S. Hoyne Ave., Morgan Park, Ill.

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Treasurer, Mrs. F. E. A. Smith, 711 E. Davis St., Portland, Ore.

EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT

President, Mrs. F. P. Beaver, 215 W. Second St., Dayton, Ohio.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Mrs. T. J. Kirkpatrick, 1603 E. High St., Springfield, O.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Miss Lucia Mae Manning, Anderson, Ind.
Treasurer, Miss Alberta C. Dickinson, 2235 E. 40th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

President, Mrs. F. E. Crawford, 703 Mt. Auburn St., Watertown, Mass.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Miss Helen W. Munroe, 111 Chestnut St., Cambridge, Mass.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Miss Grace T. Colburn, 1335 Centre St., Newton Centre, Mass.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. L. Anderson, 169 Homer St., Newton Centre, Mass.

NEW YORK DISTRICT

Honorary President, Mrs. Jas. B. Colgate, Yonkers, N. Y.
President, Mrs. William F. Gurley, 514 Fulton St., Troy, N. Y.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Mrs. Walter C. Mason, Garden City, Long Island, N. Y.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. B. Montgomery, 484 Willoughby St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. Vaughn, 442 Washington Ave., Brooklyn.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

President, Mrs. D. D. MacLaurin, 141 W. Gilman St., Madison, Wis.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Mrs. Minnie Moody, 588 Third Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. George E. Young, 3021 Park Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Thayer, 1930 S. Irving Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

PACIFIC COAST DISTRICT

President, Mrs. Carrie Heaton Witman, Pomona, Cal.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. G. Cressey, Hollywood, Cal.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. T. S. Tompkins, 779 S. Pasadena Ave., Pasadena, Cal.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Brough, Biggs, Cal.

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President, Mrs. W. J. Sly, 2300 S. Clayton Ave., Denver, Colo.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Mrs. F. W. Hart, 1016 30th St., Denver, Colo.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. B. Smith, 1314 Downing St., Denver, Colo.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. F. Schlotter, 326 E. San Rafael St., Colorado Springs, Colo.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT

President, Mrs. R. W. Ramsay, 613 Laramie St., Atchison, Kan.
Foreign Vice-Pres., Mrs. F. W. Foster, 2007 Pinckney St., Omaha, Neb.
Home Admin. Vice-Pres., Mrs. Kate Kelsey, 1616 Evans St., Omaha, Neb.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Long, 31 S. Main St., Council Bluffs, Iowa.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

of the

Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, Boston, Mass.

The first Annual Meeting of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society was called to order at 2:30 p. m., June 16, 1914, in the First Baptist Church, Boston, Mass., by the President, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery. After the singing of "Fling Out the Banner," Mrs. Montgomery read from the third chapter of Malachi, beginning at the tenth verse.

Mrs. Montgomery: "I would give as the key word in all our work for next year a phrase in the tenth verse of this third chapter of Malachi, the words that were read to the women of this eastern end of our great territory when Mrs. Walter Mason brought them to us at that wonderful meeting at New York City when we sat under the shadow of a great debt, discouraged, disorganized and fearful and afraid—'Prove Me, saith the Lord of Hosts; prove Me, saith our God.' We sit here today a united body, about to enter upon a great and untried work. We are making for the denomination a great experiment; we will have officers who are to attempt tasks to which they are inadequate; we are having to learn how to work the machinery which has been instituted. We shall need all the courage and faith and hope and optimism and daring that we have; and when all that is ours, it may not be enough. We shall need that great steadying, wonderful, uplifting power that is behind us, and working with us, the eternal God. We do His work, we coöperate in the bringing in of His Kingdom, and all our efforts are like the efforts of the little child who tries to drive, but his father holds the reins. 'Prove Me, prove Me,' is the invitation of God. I have power for your weakness; I have wisdom for your ignorance; I have courage for your discouragement; I have all the money in the world for your poverty; prove Me, step out upon God. Shall we make that the motto for this year—in prayer often, always; in faith more daring; in labors more abundant; in fellowship sweeter; in devotion more unselfish—proving God? Let us pray. (Prayer followed by Mrs. Montgomery.)

"Let us sing together the oldest and most worn and yet the freshest and sweetest missionary song that there is: 'From Greenland's Icy Mountains, from India's Coral Strand.' Sing it as though it were written over night for us.

"The minutes of the preliminary meeting held in Detroit have been read and approved. The first thing, therefore, will be the roll call by

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NOTE.—A stenographic report was made of all that was said and done at this meeting. In view of the very special interest of the occasion, much of that report has been preserved in these minutes.

districts, and as the roll is called I would like all the representatives of the district who are present to rise, and all the rest of you wave your pennants. Also will the President of the district and representatives on the Board of Managers come to this platform. We will begin with the New England District.''

The Secretary: New England District—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island.

New York District—Eastern New York, Western New York.

Atlantic District—Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, District of Columbia.

East Central District—Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia.

Central District—Michigan, Illinois, Missouri.

Northwestern District—North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin.

West Central District—Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma.

Rocky Mountain District—Wyoming, Utah, Colorado.

Pacific Coast District—North California, South California, Nevada, Arizona.

Columbia River District—Washington, East and West, Oregon, Idaho, Montana.

The Chair: ''Our Vice-President is to introduce these officers to you, and will the audience rise and give a united salutation to all these officers.''

Mrs. MacLeish: ''Mrs. F. E. Crawford, President of the New England District is not here. Present, Miss Helen W. Munroe, Foreign Vice-President; Miss Grace T. Colburn, Home Administration Vice-President.

New York—Mrs. W. F. Gurley, President; Mrs. Walter C. Mason, Foreign Vice-President; Mrs. R. B. Montgomery, Home Administration Vice-President.

Atlantic—Mrs. Howard Wayne Smith, President; Mrs. E. O. Silver, Foreign Vice-President; Mrs. H. N. Jones, Home Administration Vice-President.

East Central—Mrs. F. P. Beaver, President; Mrs. T. J. Kirkpatrick, Foreign Vice-President; Miss Lucia Mae Manning, Home Administration Vice-President.

Central—Mrs. J. W. Mauck, President; Miss Elizabeth Church, Foreign Vice-President; Mrs. H. E. Goodman, Home Administration Vice-President.

Northwestern—Mrs. D. D. MacLaurin, President; Mrs. Minnie Moody, Foreign Vice-President; Mrs. George E. Young, Home Administration Vice-President.

West Central—Mrs. R. W. Ramsay, President; Mrs. F. W. Foster, Foreign Vice-President; Mrs. H. A. Ballenger, Home Administration Vice-President. These officers not being present, Mrs. J. B. Long, District Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Kerr, State Secretary of Nebraska, represented the district.

Rocky Mountain—Not organized.

Pacific Coast—Represented by Mrs. Grace Goodspeed VanZandt, of California, Mrs. J. H. Deere, of Arizona.

Columbia River—Mrs. G. F. Dearborn, President; Mrs. W. B. Hinson.

Changes in the By-Laws were then made, upon recommendation of the Board of Managers. Some of these changes were necessary in order to bring the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society into conformity with the usages of the Northern Baptist Convention, that the Society might be admitted to the convention. Others were for the purpose of making the organization more effective. As they all appear in the By-Laws printed elsewhere in this volume, they are not reported here.

Miss Munroe then stated that in case we are allowed to enter the Northern Baptist Convention, it is necessary that as a coöperating organization we should agree to the following specifications:

A coöperating organization must agree to regulate its expenditures in accordance with the budget to be annually approved by the convention;

To insert in its by-laws a provision that all accredited delegates to each annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention shall be annual members of the organization.

To solicit funds only on the approval of the convention, or on the approval of the Finance Committee given between the annual meetings of the convention as provided by Article 17, Section 2, Subdivision (e) [By-Laws N. B. C.];

To incur no indebtedness without the previous approval of the convention or of the Finance Committee as provided by Article IV, Section 2, Subdivision (e);

To submit its books and accounts to the inspection of the Finance Committee; to prepare its budgets and to make its financial reports in such form as that committee shall request.

The Board of Managers recommend that the Society enter into this agreement.

The recommendation was adopted.

Miss Munroe: "The Board recommends that Miss Sarah C. Durfee, of Providence, R. I., and Mrs. John Edwin Scott, of Pasadena, Cal., be made Honorary Presidents of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society."

This recommendation was adopted with pleasure.

Then followed a discussion of the Society's publications. From the morning conference had come a strong expression of desire to continue the publication of Helping Hand, which had for many years meant so much to its readers. This desire was found to be very strong in the hearts of those present and it was urged that, if possible, some arrangement be made whereby, after the Society had taken its place in the magazine "Missions," the publication of "Helping Hand" might be continued.

The next matter was the election of officers. The Secretary read the provision of the Constitution in regard to the election, viz.:

Article V. The Officers of this Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Secretary of the Foreign Department, a Secretary of the Home Administration Department, and a Treasurer. The last three shall be nominated to the Society by the Board of Managers. The Officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society, and shall serve from the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected until the close of the next annual meeting, or until their successors are elected.

Mrs. Goodman, upon request, made the following statement:

"While we have been a year in existence we have not been entirely in existence. Our meeting in Detroit last year was a formative meeting, or, as we call it, a unification meeting. At this meeting we elected officers. We understood that that was in the form of a nominating ballot for the Society when it should come into corporate existence. That ballot was ratified by the Society of the East at its adjourned annual meeting in May, and also by the Society of the West at the same time. I would like to move, Madam President, that those officers nominated at that time be the officers of this Society, and that the Secretary cast one ballot for them with the exception of Mrs. Ramsay of Kansas, who has had to resign, and in whose place as Recording Secretary the Board nominates Mrs. T. E. Adams of Cleveland, Ohio, who served in the meeting in Detroit, and also in Chicago."

Motion carried, and the Secretary cast the ballot for the following list of officers: President, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, New York; Vice-President Foreign Department, Mrs. H. W. Peabody, Massachusetts; Vice-President, Home Administration Department, Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, Illinois; Recording Secretary, Mrs. T. E. Adams, Ohio.

Upon recommendation of the Board, the following officers were elected: Secretary of the Foreign Department, Mrs. H. G. Safford; Secretary of the Home Administration Department, Miss E. Jean Batty; Treasurer, Miss Alice E. Stedman; [according to Article 1, Section 1, of the By-Laws, "and such other officers as may be deemed necessary by the Board of Managers and the Society,"] General Field Secretary, Miss Ella D. MacLaurin, and Publisher, Miss Frances K. Burr.

The matter next considered was the recommendations of the Board of Managers with regard to delegates at large.

Miss Munroe: "According to the Constitution, the Board of Managers shall consist of twenty-seven. Each district shall have two representatives on the Board, elected by the district organization. The remaining members of the Board of Managers shall be nominated by the Board of Managers and elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society. The ten districts will have twenty representatives, leaving seven to be nominated by the Board of Managers at Large. The following are nominated: Mrs. C. D. Eulette, of Illinois; Mrs. W. A. McKinney, of Illinois; Mrs. Milton Shirk, of Illinois; Mrs. Edgar R. Champlin, Massachusetts; Mrs. W. H. P. Faunce, Rhode Island; Mrs. G. B. Germond, Connecticut; Mrs. C. W. Gale, Connecticut."

The Chair: "I will ask Mrs. Goodman to explain the principle of selection."

Mrs. Goodman: "It is understood that we will have the department for foreign administration and also the treasury in Boston; the department of home administration and of publication in Chicago. It is necessary to have on the Board as many members as possible near these two centers. Three of those named are near Chicago and four near Boston. Since we have more representatives on the Board from the West, because we have more districts, we nominate four from near Boston and three near Chicago, in order, and I hope this is the last time that we shall hear about East and West."

Motion carried that the Clerk cast one ballot for the seven nominees as Managers at Large.

Miss Dickerson, a representative of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, was introduced.

Miss Dickerson: "I have just left a body of women in another part of the city who are as interested as you are in this meeting and as they are gathered, they wished to send the following message:

"The Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society and the New England Branch, assembled in preliminary and annual sessions, send greetings to the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. No one regrets more than we that these two meetings should occur at the same hour but since the plans and program for the home meeting were made early in the winter, it did not seem possible to make a change at so late a date. May the union of all the splendid forces represented in this new organization result in greatly increased service for our Master."

The Chair: "Those who wish to thank the Home Mission Society for this kindly greeting, say 'aye' and wave your banners. Will you make a motion that we send a delegate to the Woman's Home Mission Society?"

Motion carried.

The Chair: "I will ask Mrs. H. N. Jones of the Atlantic District to represent us on this pleasant mission."

Mrs. Peabody: "Will the delegate please take also our hearty apologies for selecting this time for our meeting? There was a misunderstanding about dates and we did not know they would conflict until too late to make a change."

The newly elected officers were then called to the platform and presented.

The Treasurer was introduced.

Miss Stedman: "I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me and feel that it involves both a great privilege and a great responsibility. I believe that the women of our new American organization are going to do greater things than ever before for our loved cause. I believe in Him who said, 'Go ye into all the world and teach all nations,'

and I believe in the precious promise, 'Lo, I am with you alway.' He will be with us each and every day as we go forward into the new year.''

The Foreign Secretary, Mrs. Safford:

Mrs. Safford: ''I have no words with which to express my appreciation of the honor you have conferred on me in allowing me to continue just a little longer in this blessed service. This is the day of short term service. After having served twenty-three and a half years as Foreign Secretary, it must of necessity be a short term. We are, you know, sending now to the foreign field short term missionaries, especially in some of our higher schools and to take hold of different lines of work. I came home feeling that I could not continue in the position but those of you who know me know that I have only had one life motto: 'This one thing I do,' and I have loved the work. I have always said, if I couldn't be a missionary, let me be a foreign secretary; so I will accept the position for a short time at least.''

Unfortunately Miss Batty, Miss MacLaurin and Miss Burr were not present at this session.

The Chair: ''I want to introduce for just a moment our two Vice-Presidents. I am going to have the pleasure of introducing my dear friend and fellow-worker; the woman whom all the women of all the churches of all the denominations delight to honor; the woman who through all these years since as a young bride she went out to India has given her heart and life and strength to the promotion of the bringing of Christ's Kingdom in the whole world—Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, our Foreign Vice-President.''

Mrs. Peabody: ''I hardly know what to say. You know I am not here from choice. When I left Detroit last year it was with the full understanding that I could not accept any office. I had already undertaken work that seemed enough to last the rest of my life and demands all the strength that I can give. In order, however, that there might not be a legal difficulty I was forced to accept the election which came at the last moment, after I had gone. I accepted to prevent any delay in this much needed and desired organization for this year. I said I must not, could not accept it another year, and it is only because there seems to be a special need that I am willing to let my name stand again for the sake of this dear Society and these women who are so burdened.

''There are some beautiful things about coming back to one's work. To come back to those with whom one has worked for seventeen years is very sweet, but I love the women of the West as well as you of New England. I was born in Kansas and I have a boy in Spokane. One verse has been in my mind for the last two weeks: 'For the sake of the name they went forth, taking nothing from the Gentiles; therefore, we ought to sustain such.' Sustaining them means meeting our apportionments. It means carrying every one of these missionaries in our prayers because a great deal more than bread and butter is needed. It means sus-

taining them by keeping in touch with them through their letters which will appear in the Helping Hand and in your district bulletins. It means sustaining when they are home. I never saw such hospitality as we experienced on the field. I am ashamed when we cannot make room in our humble homes for missionaries and their children. They met us at any hour of the day or night that we chose to arrive and took us in and gave us of the very best that they had. They are a blessed company and I am so glad that I can keep in touch with them and help you to keep in touch with them.''

The Chair: ''Won't you all pray that God will give strength to our Foreign Vice-President? You know she represents all the women of the United States and Canada on the Edinburgh Continuation Committee and is also on the Publication Committee. Pray that God will strengthen her that she may continue in this work. I will now introduce our Home Vice-President, on whose wise and far-seeing statesmanship so much depends. I consider this Society fortunate beyond expression in that we have at the head of our Home Administration Department our well-beloved, esteemed and efficient Mrs. Andrew MacLeish.''

Mrs. MacLeish: ''One thing has come into my mind as I have thought of what has been done this year—'Where there is no vision the people perish.' Some few years ago women here and there began to have a vision, a vision of one great, united Baptist Woman's Foreign Mission Society. We followed the vision and in time the machinery was ready and we met and organized that one Woman's Baptist Foreign Mission Society in Detroit one year ago. All this year district after district has gone through the preliminary steps, organized and built up its splendid, strong constituency within a constituency—all following that vision. And here we stand today in a great united society—the vision realized. The work has not been easy and will not be easy, but year after year we will follow the vision and now, as a strong, united, one society, it will lead us on to do our work—our work of which Mrs. Peabody has spoken, caring for our missionaries, meeting the desperate needs of our workers in India, Africa, China, Japan, the Philippines and in all the territory in which we work. When we at home have these matters of detail to be attended to and these long journeys to make in order to be present at meetings, and this deputation work to do—it will not all be easy, but always in doing it we will be following the vision and it will lead us to a glorious climax, a glorious success in this work for the Master.''

Mrs. MacLeish: ''Mrs. Peabody is going to make an announcement which I am sure you will want to hear.''

Mrs. Peabody: ''We are just thinking that nobody has introduced the President. She has called on us for speeches and we have had to obey. This is a delegated body and the delegates should rule and we want to have a speech from the President.''

Mrs. Montgomery: ''I need not tell you how full my heart is of love and gratitude and hope, as we begin this work that we are to do

together. It seems to me that it is a marvelous privilege that we are having in working out for ourselves certain great things that can be done. In the first place, are you not glad of the districts? We thought it was going to be difficult to organize the districts, but they have all organized themselves; and instead of two Boards doing their 'beautiful best' we shall have ten Boards doing their 'beautiful best' and bringing the work nearer to a larger number of women. The key word of our work this year ought to be the personal touch, the hand-to-hand contact of the woman who herself goes out to preach this gospel. There is something perfectly startling about the power which we might have if we could reach the individual. Ten, possibly fifteen, in every one hundred of our Baptist women are thinking in the terms of our Lord's great Kingdom; while there are eighty-five or ninety who think in the terms of the things just around them. We are all missionaries who believe in this world-wide endeavor and our personal field is the great home base. Each woman in this church today is a missionary and it is her high privilege to pass her thought on to every woman she can reach or touch. Many women will perhaps say, 'I can not give any more;' but every one can get another giver. Then, if she will focus her own soul on lighting another woman's candle she can kindle its flame. We could double our membership in one year, it is perfectly possible, perfectly practical. Let this not be a year of seeing what plans the Board will make or what the Districts are going to do, but let every woman see how she can so kindle her candle at the altar of God, how she can so fill her own soul with the thought of Christ that every woman she meets will feel the contagion of her zeal. The other day I was reading in my Bible and this verse came to me as never before—'Looking for and hastening the Kingdom of God;' hastening the coming of God, shortening the time of His waiting, helping to bring the Kingdom here and now! Every woman must be herself not passive but active.

"I came home with a conviction that has deepened every moment during those wonderful months abroad, that the critical point in our work is the prayer hour. The reason Christ's Kingdom tarries, the reason He does not come to a redeemed world is because we do not coöperate in prayer. If we could have the desperate needs that are on the field, the missionaries who are breaking down from over work, the deficit that stares us in the face, brought in prayer to God, the needs might be met in a year. As Mrs. Topping, in a letter recently received, asked, 'Why cannot we have prayer specifics?' Why cannot we have in the various circles groups of women who will meet at stated intervals for prayer, not offering up vague petitions but definite requests for all that we need? In this same letter, Mrs. Topping tells what the church in Pasadena has just done. This is one of our most wonderful churches in its giving for missions and they had already made generous offerings, but they felt the menace of the deficit. I wish we could see that menace of the deficit as it is seen on the foreign field—hospitals undermanned, greatly needed nurses lacking, missionaries working without equipment, wonderful oppor-

tunities that are going to be lost; work that has taken a lifetime, nay, two, three lifetimes to build up, and now coming to fruition, abandoned because of lack of funds—if we could see all that, we should know that we are not touching with our little finger what is possible and necessary for us to do in our great Baptist denomination. There is no limit to our resources for the work which God entrusts to us. People speak as if there were only so much which we could get any way, and that if the women are a little extreme in their demands, then there is so much less for the rest of the work. But our Commander is not limited and He only waits for us to ask for the needed supplies. This church in Pasadena realized the marvelous power of prayer. The people said, 'We cannot give any more; there has been call after call for money,' and our funds are exhausted.' One of the women proposed that a few of them come together every day and pray for the raising of the deficit. Christ did not say, 'The harvest is great and the laborers are few, therefore organize a movement.' He did not say, 'The harvest is great and the laborers few, therefore get up a budget.' He said, 'The harvest is great and the laborers few, therefore pray.' Soon a man came forward and said he would give $500 toward the deficit if the church would raise $500 more. The church met the challenge. Then another $500 was offered on the same conditions and the church raised $500 more, until over $2,000 was sent in from that church for the deficit just in answer to the definite prayer of those women who had met day by day to pray. Women, will you enter into a covenant of prayer just at this critical time, that we may not as a denomination miss the day of God's power, that we may not plan little things, but that we may plan big things? If we could meet every day during these most important days, in small groups—just two or three, perhaps, in the district delegations, and pray for guidance and blessing and the outpouring of God's Spirit, we shall see wonderful things before the close of this convention.

"In China I was the most impressed with the wonderful situation which the Congregationalists were facing in Shansi. You perhaps know about Shansi. It was the blood-stained province in the Boxer uprising, where the Viceroy decapitated Christians, and where the whole native church was wiped out when it refused to deny Christ. This was in 1900, and now the churches are all re-established, the schools are filled, and the native community is advancing in a most marvelous way. The governor of the province said to the American Board that if they would furnish the supervision he would turn over to them the schools in the eight most populous districts of the province and they could be free to put in all the Christian teaching they wished. This would involve for the Board an expenditure of $10,000 this first year, and $6,000 a year for the next five years. The Prudential Committee said, 'We cannot undertake this work, for our church would criticise us if there were a deficit,' and that word was given out in China. I saw an editorial in "The Spirit of Missions," which, as you know, is published by the Episcopal Board, in which this question was asked, 'Is it the function of the missionary board to always

present a clean balance sheet; is it the function of the Prudential Committee to avoid the criticism of the churches?' We left China perfectly heartbroken to think of this imperial opportunity facing our oldest mission board, and they unable to enter in. Later, I was speaking in a Congregational church in Honolulu and I mentioned this situation, and I asked, 'Are you praying about it?' After the service a gentleman said to me, 'Mrs. Montgomery, that prayer has been answered. When that decision of the Prudential Committee was published, from all over came the responses to this appeal.'

"Let us get the needs to the people. Let us be committees of correspondence—friend write to friend, sister to sister, and church to church, letting the women know the needs. And then let us pray, and see if we cannot do more than we have ever done before, and see if we cannot sustain the work which the missionaries are doing on the field—equip these hospitals, send the needed nurses, do our part in the interdenominational schools for the higher education of women, build the needed buildings for them and do all we have to do? Shall we all just join in heart and in voice and enter into our blessed sisterhood with a new appreciation of that challenge of God, 'Prove Me,' and, with that spiritual power which must run through all that we do, bend our energies as never before to advance His Kingdom?"

The President then stated that, after singing the hymn, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," the Society would stand adjourned.

MRS. T. E. ADAMS,
Recording Secretary.

ANNUAL MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. W. A. Montgomery

How good God has been to us! At this, our second annual meeting we are able to report that the year has ended without debt. The five thousand dollars that were lacking when our national treasurer closed her books have been made up by personal gifts. We can enter into another year unshadowed by debt. When we consider the circumstances, the new and untried machinery in the districts, the inexperience of many of the officers, the widespread business depression, and the consequent lack of employment together with the heavy demands made on sympathy and purse by the war, the results are little short of amazing. "It is the Lord's doing, it is marvelous in our eyes."

Our hearts are full of the ecstasy of answered prayer. As never before, women have been banded together in intercessory prayer. The year is beautiful with unnumbered instances of God's faithful fulfillment of His unbroken promises. In one state, prayer was made for a number of discouraged and almost dying churches and circles who dared not attempt to face the apportionment. These all came rejoicing to the end of the year, not only with the apportionment raised but with new zeal and courage to prosecute their whole task. Success has been wrested out of what seemed certain defeat again and again, by faithful, constant, definite, believing prayer.

The district plan has amply vindicated itself. The sense of responsibility, the team work, the development of new workers, the defining of the task, the dividing of the load are only a few of its many excellencies. When New York discovered that only nine hundred dollars remained unpaid on its big budget of $65,000, the money was rejoicingly pledged in part of one session at the annual meeting of the district.

In East Central District, when it became apparent at the very last day of the year that the treasury was still lacking several hundred dollars, the amount was raised by the personal gifts and telephone messages of the officers.

One of the officers of the Columbia River District wrote, "We take schedule to bed with us at night and it rises with us in the morning."

The outcome of the year has been due to the faith, initiative, courage and consecration of thousands of women who have attacked their responsibility in calm reliance on God. It is beautiful to know that the fatherly God who notes the sparrow's fall has not overlooked one service offered to His Son. He knows the letters written, the tiring figures computed, the intricate report made out; remembers the Literature Secretary with her heavy suitcase of leaflets, the dear woman who has helped prepare the

luncheon, the hospitable hostess, the collector of quarterly dues, the agent for "Missions," the leader of Cradle Roll, Little Helpers, and Juniors; every woman who in any way has contributed to the final grand result. It is so sweet to know that we work for a God who knows, who measures quality, not quantity, of service, and in whose eyes the obscurest and weakest may be first of all, if only she loves most.

If only there were some way in which we could recognize all the lovely and lavish service which has spent itself without recompense upon hum-drum tasks, so that these dear, these indispensable, these most useful servants of the King might know that not only does the Master understand, but their sisters, too, love and prize them for their labor of love and work of faith.

We must hold our eyes to the front, lest even gratitude for past mercies may keep us stationary when we ought to be on the march. On what shall we fix our attention this year?

We must be more prompt; we can be. It is not fair that treasurers should work until two o'clock in the morning during the last two weeks of the year to receive and record our belated gifts. Immediacy is as helpful as enthusiasm. Why wait until Fall? An every member canvass *now* might bring in half the apportionment in June. Better for a circle to borrow and pay interest when a quarterly payment is due than to run over the time. Such a system would impose but a small burden on the circle, and would tend to correct the habit of procrastination. It is unfair to let the whole burden of the delay fall on district and national treasuries. Why not make the Lord a preferred creditor?

We must work and cheer and agitate for "Missions." This is now our magazine. The success of our work is bound up in it. Will you pray daily that it may reach a subscription list of sixty thousand, and will you coöperate with God in the answers of your prayers? To promote its use in the prayer meeting, to circulate it in the organized classes, to use it in circle meetings, to send it as a Christmas gift, are simple ways among many of introducing to new friends our one agency for promoting missionary information in the churches.

We must advertise our Annuity plans. We have only tapped the first vein of this new source of missionary funds. There are thousands of elderly people, men and women, whose life could be made easier and happier by taking out an annuity bond with the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society; easier because old people can get a higher rate of interest by annuity than in any other safe investment (the older the person the higher the rate of interest paid), and happier because they know that when they are through using it the principal goes to their beloved missionary society. Each officer should inform herself on annuities, get the literature and then pass on the information to those likely to be interested.

We must learn to present Missions in terms of work. Let foreign missions become flesh and tabernacle among us, and there will be no lack of gifts. Translate money into terms of the service it will render. This is easy through our district plan. Exactly what each budget covers is set forth:

[illegible] beds in a hospital for women and children at twenty-five [illegible], so many scholarships in a Bible training school at from fifteen to [illegible] dollars; so many village schools each at a cost of not more than twenty-five dollars a year; so many grants of Bibles at ten dollars [illegible] annually; so many shares in a Missionary pony or buffalo cart; so many [illegible] supplies; so many salaries; so many shares in buildings to be [illegible], enlarged or repaired. There are things in the budget to appeal to every interest; why not appeal, and secure definiteness, prayer, identification [illegible] with the enterprise?

[illegible] must enlist *other women*. About three in every four women and girls who are members of our Baptist churches do not yet believe enough in foreign missions to enroll or to give. Some day they will believe and give because they love Christ. We must make real to them His need. This cannot be done by preaching, pulpit notices, programs or protests. It can be accomplished by prayerful, loving, whole-hearted, organized and individual [illegible]. We are out to win them. That other woman is our [illegible]. Shall we not reach out to convert her to the urgency, necessity and supreme importance of foreign missions with all the ardor of our [illegible]? Why should women on fire for lesser causes shame us by the self-[illegible] energy of their devotion? All together let us go out to get the allegiance of our not yet enlisted sisters under the banner of the Christ in whose gentle triumph all the goodnesses of the world are bound up!

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN DEPARTMENT OF THE W. A. B. F. M. S. FOR 1914-15

By Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, Foreign Vice President

In the new organization of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society the correspondence with missionaries, the direction of the work on the foreign field and the examination and recommendation of missionary candidates are entrusted to the Foreign Department.

The members of this department are the two Foreign Secretaries, the Foreign Vice President and a Committee consisting of Mrs. C. W. Gale, Miss Helen Munroe, Mrs. W. H. P. Faunce and Miss Grace T. Colburn. At the request of the Foreign Vice President an Advisory Committee was appointed in Chicago, as many questions arise regarding the workers and stations of the former Board of the West that can only be answered intelligently by members of that Board.

Since the work in foreign fields is so closely linked to that of our General Board of Missions it is a great advantage to be in the same building with them. Their hearty sympathy, coöperation and wise counsel are of great value. This coöperation and that of the Reference Committees on the field lessen the responsibility and strengthen the work of our Foreign Department.

Changes have been less marked in the Foreign than in the Home Administration Department during this first year of reorganization. Missionaries East and West have always been in close relation and harmony on the field. The advantages gained by the union, however, are not to be minimized. There is far greater flexibility and possibility of easier and better adjustment since we need not inquire which is East and which is West when changes are necessary in school or hospital. The missionaries and institutions all belong to the united society and such changes are made easily. Division into districts and the assignment of missionaries and their work to these districts have proved an admirable plan, since it brings a sense of nearness to the missionaries and insures interest and definiteness in prayer.

The Society is fortunate in its two Secretaries. Mrs. Safford has had nearly twenty-five years of service and brings rich experience, a long study of problems and a knowledge and love for missionaries, quickened by her two visits to the Orient. Miss Prescott has also made a tour of mission fields and brings a finely trained, progressive mind and the enthusiasm of youth to her task. The two Secretaries have worked together as one.

Miss Prescott has added to her correspondence with missionaries in China and Japan, the unweaving of a tangled web of applications from candidates covering several years and administrations. We find ourselves richer by our union and now have a promising list of trained workers to draw from.

We rejoice that we are able to send out ten new missionaries this year.

In order to combine wisely the fields east and west it seemed necessary to make a careful survey looking toward a better correlation in some of our missions. This survey has involved making a complete set of maps of all stations and compounds. These are wonderfully illuminating. A careful study of proportions, distances, numbers to be reached, amount of work done by our own and other Boards in a given field must precede expansion and wise distribution of forces. These maps were made under Miss Prescott's direction with the assistance of missionaries and will be of untold value, as we endeavor adequately to cover our field.

With the growth of the work and larger investment of life and money we come to the conviction that more and more the settlement of difficult questions and decisions of importance must be made on the field. It is necessary that specialists deal with the specialized work of our Woman's Board and in some cases a Mission Conference has appointed an Advisory Committee of women to take up comprehensively the whole question of the woman's department in that Mission. By this means a body of information and expert testimony is gained which will be of immense value to the Reference Committee and to the Foreign Department of the Board.

In certain directions our work is broadening in a remarkable way. The demand for the kindergarten not only in Japan but in China, Burma and India leads to the conviction that we must emphasize abroad as at home the training of women for primary education along modern lines. This is not by any means to be considered as an end—though even so it is justifiable—but as a means to the evangelizing of the home. This involves sending teachers of highest possible equipment. We are fortunate in having several on the field and others in preparation for this department.

At the other extreme of our educational work is the rapid rise of the woman's college. One is already established in Madras, to which our Board contributes funds and students and may later be asked to give a teacher. Another woman's college in China has taken on Mary Nourse, of Hangchow, as one of its faculty, and we are pledged to its support. A call comes from Japan for a full grade woman's college in Tokyo in which we are asked to join. We, who have prayed for open doors to the hearts and minds of eastern women, are facing a close test as to the sincerity of those prayers. There is no limit to the opportunity before us except that of our own littleness.

This higher education means a higher grade of work in our Bible Training Schools. The day is past when a poorly trained, inferior woman will do to take charge of "evangelistic work." We must have well equipped, native, Christian women who shall train the great body of converts among women. These must have been trained by missionaries of broad vision, aptness to teach, ability to plan and organize a district in no desultory, haphazard manner. Spiritual work does not imply dreaminess, inefficiency or antediluvian methods. We have women capable of doing a high grade of work. Are we capable of understanding their method and allowing them

to follow it? One plan has been presented which seems to us a model—a central station with schools for girls and women, a Bible training school, and the entire district covered by village schools which are also centers for Bible work; this field work to be done by students from the station, under the direction of their missionary teachers.

Medical missions offer the best possible approach to women since they bear always the great weight of the world's pain. No battle field in Europe sees such horrors as are borne by the little wives of India. It is an age-long cry of pain and we meet it so lightly or not at all. We do not need diplomats to make peace between nations. Doctors, dispensaries and hospitals are the greatest peace makers in the world today.

With the mastery of detail which the machinery of the new Society has made inevitable, the Foreign Vice-Presidents of the Districts will understand better the vast needs before us and we shall have a great out-working from the Foreign Departments of all our District Boards. Already some have caught the vision of the needs of our missionaries and those for whom they strive and pray, and are taking up their correspondence and the interpretation of that need to their own Board and to the Districts. Our ten new missionaries by no means meet the present, urgent need.

Since we have cleared the slight deficit away, with which we closed our year, we go forth without any burden of debt. The Foreign Department was extravagant enough to send a cable with those two magic words, "no debt," to each of our five great mission fields. We knew it would be worth it, for the joy it would bring to our brave soldiers in the trenches at the front. They are cut off from the main army, with no sound of music or cheering and with only that inner sense of giving one's life for one's King and the Kingdom which enables them to endure hardship, discouragement, loneliness and death. Let us honor them and love them and never forget that our love is accurately measured not by words but by support. Some of the greatest cruelties in this world come from lack of imagination. Let us vigorously exercise ours, and really live with our workers the life of a missionary on the field.

REPORT OF THE HOME ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Andrew Macleish, Home Administration Vice-President

One year ago at this time our one national Woman's Baptist Foreign Mission Society was all a thing of the future. The two good ships which had for so many years sailed side by side had just completed the arrangements whereby they could continue their noble voyages in one staunch vessel, sailing under the one pennant, Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, guided by the one captain, and manned (or shall we say womaned?) by one crew, stretching from Atlantic to Pacific.

Not without effort had the chartering of the new vessel been achieved. A committee, three-sixths in Boston, two-sixths in Chicago and one-sixth in the Orient, with two able legal advisers, had for many months given diligent thought and study to the problem. At last it became evident that it would be better for the future voyages of the good ship to allow her to use a charter seasoned by over forty years of honorable service on one of the sister ships. One ship would have the opportunity to resign the use of its charter for the sake of the great adventure, and in due course of time that honor fell to the western ship, the legislature of Massachusetts having given their services to make the eastern charter adequate for long years to come to the needs of the splendid new vessel.

And so, on the 15th of May, 1914, our gallant union ship pulled up her anchor and launched out into the deep, wafted on her way by the prayers of many thousand hearts, with officers and crew in place and ready for earnest service, and with the inspiring presence of the unseen Pilot very real and intimate. Now, at the end of our first year's voyage, we look back, with thankful hearts at what has been accomplished.

All but two of the districts were organized and ready to begin work at the opening of the year. Because of the necessity of reconsidering boundary lines, the Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast Districts could not be organized until after the first annual meeting of the Society. It was in November, 1914, that each of these two Districts met for the first time, elected their officers and assumed their individual shares of the whole work. Little Rocky Mountain District adopted royal purple as her color and set the fashion of District Slogan and Song, which many other Districts are now following. She has raised her total budget, though organized so late, and has assumed on her own initiative a larger rate per cent of increase for next year's budget than any other District. Truly, she has her "eyes toward the hills," and her "trust in God." Her faith will give her the victory.

The Pacific Coast District has brought variety into the family, if we may turn from a nautical to a domestic figure. Feeling that at their dis-

tance from headquarters the women could more satisfactorily handle their share of Baptist mission work, both Home and Foreign, if their District combined the two under one set of officers, they asked permission to become a union (i. e., Home and Foreign) District. The experiment has shown that some difficulties are inherent in the effort to unite in the same organization two policies as different as those of the Women's Baptist Home and Foreign Mission Societies, the one with authority strongly centralized at headquarters, and the other with authority and responsibility largely delegated to the District organizations. However, there has been on every side a spirit of friendliness, and a desire to help in making the necessary adjustments, while the Pacific Coast District thus puts itself in the position of an experiment station for the testing of this particular form of organization.

The year has been full of interest to the officers at headquarters as they have followed the various District activities. New England had her whirlwind campaign in the autumn. Atlantic followed with her Peace Pageants. New York had her great mass meeting at Wanamaker's in December, followed by stirring campaigns in several of the associations. Northwestern has built up her fine plan for traveling associational libraries, developing the secretaries and otherwise strengthening the association as the unit for successful effort. East Central, through a very strong finance committee and its able state secretaries, has done some splendid constructive work. Central, the most difficult District to handle because of the impossibility of using the same methods in any two states, has come through the year nobly, in spite of severe handicaps. West Central has had the smallest number of experienced workers to call upon, but her new officers and board members have risen with great devotion to the task. Columbia River, in spite of great difficulties, has conducted a splendid campaign of education, and has made her entire budget. She has great cause for satisfaction and joy.

The year's experience has shown that under the new plan, as under the old, the State Secretaries are our key women. To their faithful devotion, ability and loyalty, and that of the Associational Secretaries under them, the Society largely owes its success. All honor to this splendid body of officers.

Each of the Districts has put out a limited amount of printed matter to make known to the women their especial task. Each District has also emphasized the importance of prayer, as has our beloved President. Here is one of the mighty powers which it is hoped we shall appreciate and use more fully with each passing year.

The annual meetings of the Districts have been full of enthusiasm and joy. We hope that the women in the circles will each year strengthen the habit of sending their own representatives to the District meeting to have a part in conducting its business, which is their own, and to bring back knowledge and inspiration to the home church.

A very few changes have occurred among the District officers. In the

Central District, both President and Home Vice-President have been forced to resign. Mrs. J. W. Mauck has been succeeded by Mrs. T. T. Leete, Jr., of Detroit, Michigan, as President. Mrs. H. E. Goodman, of Chicago, known and loved of very many, has given over the Home Administration to Mrs. D. W. Beggs, Chicago. Mrs. H. A. Ballenger, Home Administration Vice-President for West Central, has been followed by Mrs. Kate Kelsey.

I cannot leave the subject of the Districts without speaking of the splendid work which the treasurers have done. It has been very close and exacting, particularly strenuous in March. It is no small piece of work to receive thousands of dollars in varying sums, properly acknowledge them, credit them, forward them to the National Treasurer and keep a card catalog of donors constantly brought up to date. The ten women who have performed this service for us this year, as a pure labor of love, deserve and receive our most hearty thanks and appreciation. That the work has all been done without error indicates the ability as well as devotion which they have brought to the task.

During the year, one change has occurred in the staff of the Home Administration office. In October Miss Batty, who had been Home Secretary for the Society of the West for three years, resigned and went back to the Young Women's Christian Association work from which she had come. Her place was not filled at once, but her duties were distributed between National Home Administration Vice-President, the Publisher, who became in addition Office Secretary, and the General Field Secretary.

The year has not passed without the translation of some of the Society's devoted friends and helpers from the earthly to the heavenly home. Of two of these I wish to speak, Mrs. Emily Barrows Barrett, called suddenly from the circle of those who loved her here to the richer and fuller circle above, and Mrs. Jennie Sanford Griffith, who, after months of suffering here, was taken to the rest and strength of heaven. Of Mrs. Barrett we think with love and gratitude, not only for what she has herself done for the cause of missions, but because of her great gift to us of our noble and inspiring leader, Helen Barrett Montgomery. Mrs. Griffith will long live in memory, and in the influence of her life. We little know how much we may be helped in our efforts for this great cause by these and other devoted friends who have gone on and have entered upon the richer service which we believe God has for us all in the heavenly life.

In November a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers was held in Chicago, for the formation of policies and the consideration of matters which it seemed impossible to handle by correspondence. Minutes of this meeting were sent to all members of the Board of Managers.

In the process of adjustment, bringing the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society into full coöperation with the other denominational societies in the Northern Baptist Convention, some sacrifices have been necessary, chief among them the merging of our beloved Helping Hand in the denominational magazine Missions. This change meant a real wrench

of the heart-strings to many devoted readers. We hope that Helping Hand in its new environment will mean no less to its old friends, and that they will rejoice in the great host of new friends to whom we can now appeal through the larger subscription list of Missions. The old adage, "No great loss without some small gain," may well be reversed in this case. The great gains that we have made as a Society through our wider affiliations, are worth the loss of our separate paper.

There is also a loss of territory to be reported. Oklahoma, which would have been a part of the West Central District, has removed its connection from the Northern to the Southern Baptist Convention. Staunch and loyal supporters as these women have always been, we say our goodbye to them with regret, but commend them heartily to the Women's Mission Union of the Southern Convention.

In the Publisher's report there is a reference to the very successful work done in the Sunday Schools during the Foreign Mission Period, in which it was our privilege to have a large part. It is to be hoped that each year the importance of this work in the Sunday School may be more fully realized, until every Sunday School in the land shares in it. Here is our great opportunity to reach and train the children and young people for their future responsibilities toward the coming of God's Kingdom.

It is to be regretted that in the great work of organization which has been necessary this year, there was not opportunity to establish the work for our girls and young women as we have longed to do. Plans are now forming, however, and literature is being prepared, and we hope and expect to have everything ready for interesting and successful work in the summer and autumn.

Material is now ready for the children's work, Cradle Roll, Little Helpers and Juniors, and I would make a plea that we lay special emphasis upon the development of this part of our work for the coming year, working through the organized Sunday School class, or, where wise to establish it, through the separate mission band.

As to the main body of our work, that for women, the old need still exists, that of reaching the many uninterested women, and allying them to the great cause. Roughly speaking, less than half of our churches have their women organized for missionary work, and of our Christian women, there are at least three-fourths who are not yet working actively for the spread of Christ's Kingdom.

It is the same old problem, hackneyed perhaps and stale, but vital. It must be solved before we can enter the many doors which God is opening for us in every non-Christian land; and steady, faithful, intelligent work is needed for its solution. It is the quiet, constant, well-planned individual effort that counts. Let us set before us for the coming year as our aim a 10 per cent increase in churches giving to missions, and a 10 per cent increase in the membership of our women's organizations, all this to be done not in any degree to the weakening, but in every sense to the strengthening of the spiritual life and the missionary zeal of the whole church, of which we women are a loyal part.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

Mrs. H. G. Stafford, Foreign Secretary

The story of the year 1914-15 chronicles some of the most remarkable events in the world's history. While the blighting influence of the European war throws a shadow over every land, it is cheering to turn to the brighter side of the story and review the blessings that have come to Asia and Africa through our missionaries who are proclaiming the gospel of peace and love.

During the first months of the year our beloved President, Foreign Vice President and a score of other Baptist women were touring the mission fields, and brought back to our churches a fund of information and a wave of inspiration which has been felt throughout the land.

In June, East and West united in forming the national society, the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, which held its first session in connection with the Northern Baptist Convention in Boston. Shadows always mingle with sunshine when changes come and we grieved sorely over losing officers with whom we had been happily associated for years. In September the Foreign Department welcomed as Associate Secretary, Miss Nellie G. Prescott, one who is eminently fitted for the position. In the division of work Japan and China were given to Miss Prescott, who also assumed the duties of Candidate Secretary, while Burma, Assam, South India, Africa and the Philippines were retained by the senior Secretary.

France

One brief chapter of sorrow and suffering comes to us from France where we have had three Bible Women working in Paris and Roubaix. Our Foreign Committee has questioned whether it was worth while to continue so small a work another year, but a recent letter from the pastor's wife of the Rue de Lille church in Paris urges us to do so. She writes: "In these specially trying times your representative here, Mme. Chevallier, is an invaluable helper. She helps in an enormous correspondence, French and German, with our soldiers and prisoners and the Red Cross. She visits the heart-broken women whose husbands and sons have been slain or are prisoners in Germany and their sad hearts are ready to receive the good tidings."

Rev. H. Andru, Treasurer of the Mission in the north of France, writes concerning our own Bible Woman, Mlle. Dinoir: "Since August the region around Roubaix, Lille, etc., has been entirely occupied by the German army and the inhabitants are completely shut up from the rest of the country. I have been unable to communicate with our sister,

Mlle. Dinoir. How she has been able to live all these months God only knows. The money due her is in my hands ready to be sent as soon as the door opens. Some of the refugees from these cities—women—had to walk 60 miles through woods and ploughed fields during the night to escape. One had a baby who died on the way and the mother carried the corpse in her apron for miles to have it buried in a decent spot. No one can form an adequate idea of the sufferings endured by those in the region of the armies. We pray that American men and women who have been spared the awful scourge of war may freely share with us what God has given to them.''

Africa—Congo Mission

Our Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society has a share in eight of the ten Congo stations, helping in 162 schools, with 4,850 pupils, which report 184 baptisms, and we have only two of our own missionaries now on the field.

Kimpese, Congo Evangelical Training Institution. Dr. Catherine Mabie, our efficient and popular member of the Faculty, divides her time between this Institution and her medical practice. The wives of the students accompany their husbands to Kimpese and remain through the full three years' course. These women are utterly untrained when they come, can neither read, write, nor sew. The first year they learn to read, the second begin to sit up and take notice, and the third do really good work. Last year 13 children were born in the student families, all of which have from one to three little ones. By way of diversion every child had whooping cough, about fifty in all. Dr. Mabie writes: ''To be sure these things hinder real school progress but the time spent with them, caring for their physical needs, brought us closer to one another and to our Lord than it was ever my experience to get with Congo women. To teach these women how to live and bear life's burdens and sorrows cheerfully is the supreme lesson. The advanced women have spent several hours weekly studying the lives of Peter and Paul as a base, and their epistles as commentaries. Four have graduated and are working with their husbands in the towns.''

Medical Work. ''The missionary doctor finds opportunities for service at every turn, both in the station and on tour. I have had a large dispensary practice, treating about 8,000 patients for all sorts of ills. Many of the patients are the veriest heathen, which gives me ample opportunity for evanglestic work. If keeping busy is the secret of keeping happy you may count on me as supremely happy.''

Banza Manteke. One hundred and eighteen young people have been taught and trained by Miss Cole at Banza Manteke. She reports 67 village schools on this field, with 3,000 pupils and 145 baptisms. There is a popular song on the Congo which reads in English, ''The town that has no school is no town at all.'' *The Rebuilding of the Church* has

taken much of Dr. Richards' time. The people have helped generously, the children have given their centimes; the boys who had no money carried stones and earth for the foundations, while the girls hoed grass and gave their earnings.

"*This terrible war* has sadly interfered with the mails and cut off food supplies from England. The SS. Monrovia which was destroyed was bringing food for many of our missionaries and Dr. King, our Banza Manteke physician, lost all his drugs and instruments. God bless the United States which sent us a steamer full of provisions in our time of great need."

Ikoko. During the early months of the year Miss Porter conducted the station school and since she left Mrs. Clark is caring for the 130 boys and girls. They have a church of 500 members and Sunday School with an average attendance of 214. Dr. Ostrom has carried on a very successful medical work and his skill is a common theme of conversation a week's journey up the river. He reports 21,895 treatments. The crowning time of the year was the Christmas season. On Christmas Day 17 were baptized in the Lake before hundreds of witnesses; on the following Sunday 18, and 23 on the first Sunday of the New Year. "We have much to encourage us."

Tshumbiri is calling for £60 for a girls' dormitory and a woman to care for the school. *Sona Bata* for three years has been pleading for an increased appropriation which we hope to grant on the next schedule.

As we review the Congo work with its delights and difficulties we echo the dying words of David Livingston, which are engraved on his tablet in Westminster Abbey: "May Heaven's richest blessings come down on every one in Africa—American, English or Turk—who will help to heal this open sore of the world."

The Philippine Islands

When the Philippine Islands, that group of Pearls in the Pacific, were divided among the different Mission Boards, Panay and Negros were taken by the Baptists. We have four centers of mission work, Iloilo, Jaro, Capiz and Bacolod, with their outlying districts. Jaro is the educational center with three of the finest schools in the Islands—the Girl's Academy with an enrollment of 50 girls from the higher class families, in charge of Miss Bissinger and a faculty of three American teachers; the Bible Training School with 56 students under Miss Anna V. Johnson and two associates, and the Industrial School of 500 boys. The ladies teaching in the boys' school and the American nurse in the Union Hospital at Iloilo receive their salaries from the General Society, (A. B. F. M. S.).

The Bible Training School, which has been closed for nearly two years, was reopened when Miss Johnson returned with her helper and namesake, and later Miss Lagergren, teacher of music and kindergarten, was added

to the staff. The advanced Bible classes and graduate Bible women visit in hundreds of homes, conduct market, cottage and children's meetings and carry on eleven Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 512. Miss Johnson writes: "Please give a thousand thanks to the dear home friends who sent the Christmas boxes with gifts enough for all our Sunday Schools. God bless them! The most pressing need in our Mission is a large *Church Building*. We are suffering for a place where all our young people can assemble when occasion requires. We have no proper facilities for young people's work, being forced to hold our kindergarten in a dining room and our church Sunday School in a rented basement." This Bible School is a power in the Mission and its thoroughly trained young women are in demand as evangelistic workers.

The Girls' Academy has grown steadily since it was organized in 1910 and now has 45 in attendance. Miss Phelps with her practical training in kindergarten and normal methods was heartily welcomed in the fall. Miss Appel is in charge of music and it is hoped that Miss Stanard will return this year when Miss Whelpton reaches Bacolod. The position of woman in the Philippines is not like that in other Oriental lands. She is looked up to and honored. She retains her name and property after marriage, and the girls of the family take her name. Religiously she is the key to the situation and when converted becomes the best and strongest element in the church. A converted young woman means a Christian home and through her influence the husband and children will be won to Christianity—hence, the great importance of Christian education for girls. An effort was made to unite with the Presbyterian Board in the school for higher education, but final word came from New York that they could not unite with us. Then the Academy trustees decided to sell the site in Iloilo that had been purchased for the new building and buy a lot adjoining that of the Woman's Bible School in Jaro. The plan of erecting a big auditorium on the boys' campus has been abandoned and the money will be put into a large chapel which will accommodate all the schools for union services, graduation exercises and lectures. This will do away with the present ludicrous situation when a few gather here and a few there in a dirt-floor basement which Christians only can be persuaded to enter. The Filipinos themselves are giving liberally toward the new building. The present plan is to combine the Woman's Training School and the Academy in one institution with two departments. The missionaries are pleased with the new plans and are extremely happy over the prospect.

Capiz. At the Home School 70 children have enjoyed Miss Suman's motherly care and training. An epidemic of measles for three months and the death of a teacher, one of the first to enter the Home, were among the shadows of the year. Miss Suman writes: "The greatest blessing of the year was the baptism of nine of the children and watching the growth in grace of many who have been Christians longer. Since the baguio of 1912 the house has been practically rebuilt with cement. Only one who has lived

in Capiz and knows what a baguio can do and undo when it gets down to real work can realize the comfort of feeling perfectly safe in baguio season. Six boys left us in April to go out to work and a few more at harvest time at the urgent call of their parents. Two girls will enter the Bible School at Jaro and I wish all the girls could go there when they leave the Home. Whether they become teachers, wives or servants they will do better work for the Bible training.''

Miss Nicolet returns to *Emanuel Hospital* in the summer and her six little Filipino nurses can hardly wait to have her with them. She assures us that the training of nurses is an important factor in the Philippines. Could we see the native way of caring for the sick, the large percentage of deaths among infants, and the contempt with which the higher classes look upon nurses, we would admire the pluck of the girls who pocket their pride, endure the scorn of their people, and prepare to minister to the sick.

Bacolod. When Miss Whelpton left the Girls' Dormitory for her well earned furlough, by decree of the Mission Miss Stanard left the Jaro Academy and took her place. She affirms that the lines have fallen to her in pleasant places, for Bacolod is most attractive, and the work fascinating. She has assisted in the private school superintended by Rev. C. L. Maxfield. The Dormitory girls are leaders in school and in social life in Bacolod. Through their influence many social gatherings planned for Sunday have been held on Saturday and closed at 12 o'clock rather than at 6 a. m. as formerly. The girls just love the Bible study and Christian Endeavor Society. When Miss Whelpton returns Miss Stanard is ready to go where the Mission and the Board at home feel her services are most needed. Blessed are the women who fill the gaps!

Brighter Days for Assam

A wonderful opportunity is just now opening before us in Assam. The British government has become keenly alive to the importance of educating girls, or, as one expresses it, ''is enthusiastic on female education.'' Dr. Witter writes: ''If the women of America knew what a stir their girls' mission schools at Nowgong and Gauhati are making among the English officials they would be proud, and quickly embrace the great opportunity now before them. We know of no place in the world where woman's work for women and girls gives such promise.''

The organization of the All-Assam Convention in 1914 was a great event in the history of the Mission. There were 1,000 in attendance, representing twenty different tribes and tongues, also twenty American visitors. The Mission has suffered from lack of united effort or team work because the stations are separated by such distances, difficulties of travel, and diversity of tongues. Another advance movement at the 1915 Convention was the formation of the Woman's Council with a Standing Committee of five women. The first act of this Council was to draft a letter to government asking aid for the Gauhati school which the government Inspectress desires

shall become a high school with a teachers' training class; also to ask that a similar school be opened in Jorhat for the girls in Upper Assam.

Nowgong. Our western sisters with the generous aid of government have established a splendid educational plant at Nowgong and provided four missionaries—the Misses Doe, Crisenberry, Long and Hay—to care for its normal, kindergarten and Bible School departments. The new Bible School dormitory has recently been added to the attractive compound. Don't fail to read the reports from this brilliant and happy quartette which will appear in Our Work in the Orient.

Gauhati. A note of joy and gladness closes the story of the year at Gauhati, the largest city in Assam, which is rapidly growing in size and wealth. The compound was too crowded to allow of a boarding school for girls, and Miss Holmes and Miss Wilson were quite discouraged. The woman's house was needed by the General Society to accommodate their growing work, and it was decided to sell our property to them and purchase a beautiful lot of eighteen acres about a mile away, where we could have our educational plant. This was done in April, 1914, but how and where could we get the money needed for buildings and furnishings? Some of us, who visited Assam and realized the need, gave ourselves to prayer, and in October the first gift—in memory of a dear mother—came to the Foreign Secretary, and three months later one of our most generous, consecrated givers sent a check of $5,000, which made just the amount needed to put up the school house and provide the necessary equipment. Miss Holmes writes: "Sunday evenings our school girls have their own meeting, with special subjects for prayer—first among them the need of the new school plant. We decided to just pray that plant into being and asked God to prepare us for it. A special meeting was held at 7:30 Sunday evening, and Monday morning at 10:30 the cable came announcing the gift of $5,000! How good is God to us! How can we express our gratitude to those blessed women who have supplied our need? The sky has taken on a deeper blue, the grass is greener and everything in this world looks brighter." Dr. Witter adds: "We doubt if ever in the history of Baptist missions a cable of financial help brought such relief and joy."

Tura is the center of work among the Garos, a people who have accepted Christ in great numbers. The station Training and Industrial School with 375 pupils furnishes teachers and preachers for the whole field. There are 95 village schools which receive a large appropriation from the Woman's treasury, reporting a total of 432 baptisms. The Mission has suffered through the illness and furloughs of the missionaries, and it was a happy time when Miss Holbrook returned and the trained nurse, Miss Carter, arrived to take the place of Miss Robb. Our beloved Miss Bond has been very heavily burdened with many hours of daily teaching in the school and the care of thirty school girls who live with her.

At *North Lakhimpur* we are assisting Rev. John Firth with his six village schools. He writes: "Twenty-two have been added to the church. Fifty-one

of my native preachers learned to read the Bible and gave their hearts to Christ while in the village schools.''

Ukhrul. In March it was necessary to close the hostel and send the girls back to their mountain homes because there was no teacher at the station to care for them.

Impur and *Sibsagor* are struggling with the same problem. The school at Impur enrolls 100 boys and one girl, and the Mission continues to plead that two single ladies be sent, one to superintend the girls' department. The fact that boys are being educated makes the education of girls the more important. A fine, well trained Naga graduate is in charge of the school and church in his village. The church is entirely the fruit of his own labors and the people are unwilling that he should marry an ignorant, superstitious woman, but there is not one educated girl of his own tribe to share his home and work.

In view of such unprecedented opportunities, what are we—the Baptist women of America – willing and ready to do for the women and girls of Assam?

South India

In the Telugu Mission 3,500 were added to the churches in 1914, 228 being from the Sudra caste. This Mission has been sadly depleted by death and furloughs. The return of Miss Teneate and Dr. Degenring to Nellore, Miss Wagner to Madras, Miss Morrow to Sooriapett, and the new recruits, Misses Roberts and Carman and Dr. Weaver, has greatly relieved the situation. The new class will spend the first year at Ongole in language study, a process which we are told has four stages, despair, light, more light, and delight in this musical Telugu.

Miss Sarah R. Bustard, after a brief illness, died in the Nellore hospital November 4th. She was the third generation of missionaries and for sixteen years was engaged in evangelistic work in the Kavali field. November 27th, after a lingering and painful illness, our beloved Katharine Darmstadt passed to her reward. For twenty years she was principal of the Girls' Elementary School in Nellore and put the impress of her beautiful Christian life upon hundreds of Telugu girls who today rise up and call her blessed. To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.

Sample Notes from Annual Reports

Ongole. One is bewildered at the many kinds of work carried on by Miss Bertha Evans: ''The Training and Practicing Schools held in the old church which has been transformed into most attractive quarters with new roof, floors and walls decorated with pictures and blackboards; the Higher Elementary School which has moved into the Harriet Clough Memorial; the sewing classes, each with its special shelf for work; the Department of Industry, which by its sales brought more than Rs. 1,200; the classes in gardening, and last but not least, the Caste Girls' School with 125 pupils. Miss Roberts has come! Crowds of Christians greeted her at the station

with salaams, garlands and limes in true Indian fashion. The school boys sang a song, the girls furnished flowers for the evening reception and rose water to sprinkle over the delighted company. Miss Roberts made a speech and brought down the house with her closing sentence—'Naku tsala santosham' (To me there is much joy). She is like a freshing breeze to us, from her dainty clothes to her report of the Hartford School.''

Miss Kelly. ''My year has been divided between caring for the zenana work, Miss Dessa's schools during her furlough, and helping Mr. Curtis with his multifarious work of caring for two stations. There is great fascination in touring. In six tours I pitched my tent in 24 villages and went into 72 towns. Surely there is an awakening among the caste people, for the men begged us to stay longer and tell them about the great God. A little knowledge of medicine and hygiene helps one. A woman came to me with a bad ulcer which I washed and dressed. 'Amma, why do you do such things,' asked a looker-on. Another replied quickly, 'Her God has put it into her heart to do good. Didn't she tell us to love one another? She is just doing what she teaches.' ''

Madras. Miss Bent. ''A year of blessed seed-sowing in the hearts of 563 children who attend our seven day schools, including two large caste schools. Washermanpett has the largest enrollment of the seven, 60 scholars. The London Mission which has conducted a school for 41 years in Georgetown has recently passed to us 143 bright girls with a very capable head mistress and six Tamil and Telugu teachers. We have ten Bible women and zenana teachers. When Mrs. Ferguson was obliged to return to America for medical treatment she put the responsibility upon these women and they have shared with the evangelists the joy of bringing in converts for baptism. As Sarama was one day speaking to a group of women she found one who had been in the mission school and knew a great deal about the Bible but was very quarrelsome. A neighbor standing by asked, 'If there is only one God and He made all of us, why did He make some with good dispositions and some bad like this woman? Do begin, Sarama, with the creation and tell her all about God and how to keep her temper.' ''

Nellore. Miss Draper. ''The Girls' High School has nearly finished its eleventh year and is becoming more popular as education for women advances and the products of the school are seen. We have sixty pupils coming from fourteen mission stations. Our teaching staff is the most satisfactory we have had; besides the American principal, Miss Florence Carman has just arrived and begun work in English as teacher of science. We would welcome another contract teacher, coming for a three years' term. The salaries of such teachers would be paid from government grants. Some of our graduates are in higher educational institutions, four are in Medical and five in Normal Training Schools.''

Bible Training School. Miss Moran. ''Our school is closing its second year, and my highest hopes have been realized both as to numbers and quality of students. Seven of the twenty-nine are graduates of the boarding school,

and eleven stations are represented. Ten Sunday Schools have been carried on, reporting seven baptisms. In January, by decree of the Mission, the school was removed from its crowded quarters in Nellore to the roomy compound in Vinukonda, where there is a fine new bungalow formerly occupied by Miss Whitaker. The missionaries in charge of the station assure us that the Training School will give a fresh impetus to all the work.''

Woman's Union Christian College. The establishment of this institution in Madras is now assured. Eleven Mission Boards in England and America have united in the project and have voted the money needed for the current year. Some of us had the pleasure of meeting the President-elect, Miss Eleanor MacDougal of London, as she stopped with us on her way to India. She outlined in a most interesting way the plans and policies for the college which will be opened in July. The teaching staff will include three professors of philosophy, history and English literature in addition to the President, and an Indian woman will be added when it is possible to procure a Christian woman of suitable qualifications and gifts. Surely a brighter day is coming for our sisters in India.

Narsaraupet. Mrs. E. E. Silliman. ''We have a Baptist constituency of 40,000 on our field and ought to have a fully equipped elementary school with a properly qualified head master and a missionary teacher as manager. (The good news has just come that you have a missionary teacher already chosen for us.) Five fields look to us for teachers, preachers and other workers. The present staff of teachers were educated in this school. We are most grateful for Miss Patton, who came to us in December and has taken up the evangelistic work to which she feels especially called. Since she came the attendance of our Sunday School has doubled. Teachers in the near villages bring many children. To be sure, the prevailing style is the 'undressed kid' at first, but they soon come with a cloth wrapped about their little bodies and a handful of grain tied in the corner of the cloth for the collection basket. We greatly need a second story added to our ladies' bungalow to accommodate the three missionaries whom we hope to have with us in the fall.''

Secunderabad. Mrs. F. H. Levering. ''After two weary years of waiting we have the pleasure of welcoming Miss Edith Hollis, who has taken her second language examination and, being a normal graduate and a teacher in America for several years, is well qualified to take charge of the station boarding school. The people gave her a royal welcome and it is our earnest wish and prayer that she may have many years of joyful service among us.''

Cumbum. Mrs. John Newcomb. ''We have had up-hill work the past year, for cholera and smallpox have raged in every village, 40 Christians dying in one. Among our mercies we count a new well with its refreshing cold water, and a church bell for which we have waited twenty years. Sixty-one have been added to the church from the schools.''

Urgent Needs. Several stations are calling for teachers and evangelistic helpers; Kavali and Hanamakonda for school houses.

Medical Work

Nellore. Dr. Lena Benjamin. "The hospital has been growing in popularity. We have had 883 inpatients, a large proportion of whom have been caste people. The Surgeon-General visited us in December and expressed himself as much pleased with the hospital and the work being done. Government has sanctioned a grant of Rs. 5,000 for enlarging our maternity department. This is very much needed, as our maternity ward accommodates but four patients, and this year we had 138 maternity cases.

The Bible has been taught daily in ward and dispensary. Many of the caste people have shown a great deal of interest, and a few we believe to be very near the Kingdom. We have come to understand better than ever before something of the depth of the darkness in which even the best of the people live. One intelligent, fairly well educated Rajaput woman, who has heard the Gospel off and on all her life, actually asked me in good faith if Jesus Christ's mother was the Queen of England!

There have been ten in the Nurses' Training School under Miss Magilton's efficient management. For the first time we sent nurses—three third year nurses and two second year nurses—up to the examination conducted by the South India Medical Missionary Association. Two of the third year nurses received distinction, one of them, Anandamma Eliza, getting the highest marks in the Presidency this year. As there were candidates from all the large mission hospitals in South India, we think this speaks well for our school."

Ramapatnam. Miss Florence Rorer is very happy in what she calls her "new building." A second story has been added to the old dispensary, which gives her comfortable home quarters, thanks to the ladies of Western New York. Her special work is among the wives of the theological students, caring for them in sickness and teaching them not only how to care for their own families but to pass on to other women the many things which the ignorant Indian wife and mother should know.

Udayagiri. Mrs. M. Grant Stait, M.D. "The most satisfactory year since the Etta Waterbury Hospital was opened twelve years ago," is the word from Dr. Stait, who reports 248 inpatients, 1,913 outpatients and 105 operations. She has five assistants. One of them, Frances Bai, has been with her eighteen years and during last summer vacation kept the hospital open every day, performing difficult operations with success. This brave little woman sends "loving salaams" to friends in America who remembered them with soap, bandages, blankets, etc., and hopes we will continue our gifts and our prayers.

The caste patients and relatives who stay to prepare their food have been drawn into the prayer circles and really seem hungry for the truth. This is largely due to the Bible woman, Marthama, who has caught the meek and lowly spirit of her Master and just loves the people.

Samples of the Work. A little blind girl brought in in the agonies of childbirth that meant death unless skilled hands could save her; another

with limbs that were never to move again yet did move happily to keep pace with her thankful heart; the baby who seemed hardly human, with its sores, disease and agony, but today laughs and rolls about, as is the fashion with babies the world around; boys with broken bones which had been treated for weeks by native quacks—all leaving the hospital well and strong.

Testimonial from a High Native Official. "I have never seen a cleaner set of buildings or kinder people than those who look after the Udayagiri hospital, and I fervently pray that Dr. Stait and her husband may long be spared to guide, heal and comfort the inhabitants of this desolate region."

Hanamakonda. Dr. J. S. Timpany reports patients coming from 820 villages and more dispensary patients than in any previous year, nearly half being women. The Doctor is now returning on furlough and the hospital will be in charge of Dr. J. W. Stenger. Before leaving, Dr. Timpany completed the home for the head nurse, Miss Ogilvie, who will be assisted by three Indian girls she is training.

Dr. Katharine Gerow had charge of the Woman's Department for a time, but by vote of the Mission was transferred to Markapur, a part of the field where there was great need of opening medical work. On a single trip of four days over 400 sick and suffering ones came to her for help. In one confinement case she saved a mother who was apparently beyond human help, and gained the title, "The Doctor who raises the dead." On March 25th we were shocked by a cable bringing news of Dr. Gerow's serious illness, and later a second cable that she would sail for home early in April.

Nalgonda. There is at present no physician in our hospital at this station, but an efficient nurse is holding the fort until one is sent.

Sooriapett. Mrs. A. J. Hubert, the busy missionary wife, has a large practice and reports 14,705 treatments, including all castes and classes. One poor Sudra woman, brought in in a dying condition, just before she passed away, lifted her eyes to heaven and said, "Lord Jesus, I am coming—open the door." The nurses said they had never seen one die so happy.

Palmur. Dr. Marian E. Farbar introduces us to the new work at this station. "The hospital was opened September 1st with an informal reception to allow the officials, and all others who wished, to see the building and its equipment. Next day we opened the dispensary and from the first, Mohammedan Gosha women and the poorer classes—Hindus, Telugus and Tamils—have come to us. Palmur is an excellent place for a woman's hospital because of the strict observance of Gosha among the Mohammedans. Many women would die before they would see a man doctor, and their husbands share their sentiments; indeed, they bring the iron-clad rules down on the women. My hospital staff consists of a Parsee lady trained by Dr. Breed, who is a great help with her Urdu language; Pullama, a capable compounder; Rachel, a graduate nurse from Nellore, and two girls in training. Miss Booker has loaned me one of her trained women, who gives Bible teaching and stories to the patients on the front veranda as they

wait their turn. We hope some much needed anti-tubercular work can be done in the near future. Government has offered any property we may choose for that purpose.''

Burma

The most exquisite mosaics of the world are made up of an infinitesimal number of small gems combined with the larger and richer stones. More than thirty large boarding schools, enrolling from 100 to 900 pupils, may be compared to the larger gems, but the missionary mosaic would be incomplete without the thousands of day and village schools scattered throughout the province. The work is carried on in ten different languages by fifty-two single women and more than twenty-seven married missionaries, ably assisted by native teachers and Bible women.

At the Conference and Convention held in Toungoo in December, special emphasis was laid upon the fact that the first century had been one of seed-sowing and the second should be one of reaping, for the fields are literally ''white to harvest.'' Great stress was laid upon putting the responsibility of the work more and more upon native leaders and urging the churches to give more liberally toward its support. The gifts from the churches have increased nearly $40,000 in the past five years.

Burma now has its Northfield at Maymyo, the beautiful hill station where the Shirk Memorial Rest House and the new Assembly Building accommodate the visitors. This Bible Assembly meets in April for its ten days' session, and the Northfield plan is followed, a definite part of each day being given to classes and lectures and a part to recreation and sports. Last year 196 attended from 22 stations, representing six different languages. The Assembly is becoming more popular and helpful each year.

Some Features Common to All Boarding Schools

Prosperous kindergartens conducted by trained native teachers.

Flourishing Christian Endeavor Societies. During the World Christian Endeavor Convention held at Agra six years ago Dr. F. E. Clark wrote: ''The Baptists may well be proud of their work in British India, where Christian Endeavor is growing by leaps and bounds.''

The All-India Sunday School examinations. One teacher says, ''Of course we expect the Christians to pass these examinations, but it *is* a joy to see scores of children from heathen homes stretching out their little hands for certificates, their eyes shining like stars.''

The boys of Burma are as fond of athletics and sports of every kind as the American boy, and the girls take naturally to physical culture.

The Loyal Temperance Legion, with organizations for juniors and seniors. Temperance teaching is most important. From babyhood the children are addicted to smoking and chewing the betel nut, and it is not unusual to see a mother take the cheroot from her own mouth and put it into the mouth of her nursing baby. One missionary tells us that on a recent jungle tour she found a two-year-old boy sitting in his mother's lap

with a cigarette in one hand and a pipe in the other, and the mother remarked, "He smokes all the time."

Christmas is universally celebrated and it would be a blessing if the Districts would arrange to send a Christmas box to each of their missionaries.

Nearly all the schools report baptisms, making a total of 1,032 in Burma alone.

Moulmein, the old Judson city with a population of 58,000, has four splendid mission schools—Burman, Karen, English, Tamil and Telugu—on the list of our Woman's Society. Our Burman girls at Morton Lane, with deep regret, have parted with Miss Northrup, who, like other daughters of Eve, has decided to marry and return as a missionary's wife. We extend our hearty congratulations and know she will be a blessing in any mission station. Miss Mosier, a Cornell graduate, has been appointed to take her place. Miss Whitehead has resigned from active school duties, but will still make her home with Miss Hughes and Miss Good in the school which has been blessed with her gracious presence and able administration so long.

The Karen School is ably conducted by Miss Hartford and Miss Lucas and is one of our strong Karen schools. They write: "The active Christian lives of our 150 boys and girls have been a constant inspiration to us, and the spirit of unity and cooperation on the part of teachers and pastors in making and carrying out our plans for the advancement of the school have been a great help. A fine new hospital, the gift of Mrs. Thatcher of New Jersey, has proved a great blessing and was in constant use when we suffered from an epidemic of beri-beri and more than sixty children were our of school for several weeks at a time." Miss Lucas' furlough is due in the spring of 1916, and, as Miss Hartford is not in physical condition to carry the responsibility alone, some one should be sent to her this fall.

The English School, at the foot of Pagoda Hill, is rejoicing over the return of Miss Prince, who writes: "'The new building is begun' were the first words with which Miss Tillman greeted me when we reached Rangoon. I could hardly believe it, but all doubts vanished when I saw the dear old compound. It will be a fine building, 225 feet long and 30 feet wide, with the Residency in the middle and on either side a long wing for dormitories; on the lower floor will be class rooms, drill hall and offices. The old bungalow will be torn down when the Residency and one wing are completed so that we can occupy them. Five thousand dollars has been received and eight thousand more will be needed before it is finished. As it is our woman's centennial offering, we think of having the name 'Hasseltine Hall' engraved on the cornerstone. Miss Tillman has borne heavy responsibilities during my absence, and she has arranged to spend two months in Darjeeling for rest and change."

Telugu and Tamil schools have sent no report. Miss Kate Armstrong is on furlough and Mrs. Armstrong is carrying heavy burdens with her varied lines of work. These are day schools and are always crowded with pupils.

Rangoon. Kemendine. (Burman Girls' School. Miss Sutherland and Miss Eastman.) "A dormitory is our greatest need. With our present building we cannot take more than 300, so must stay as we are until a new building materializes. Twelve girls were in our guest room last year, and we were obliged to turn away fifteen. Only one-ninth of the money needed to run the school comes from the Mission treasury, the rest comes from fees and government grants. Every worthy object finds a ready response from the girls, and last year their gifts amounted to $300, including $20 for the Belgian sufferers.

All our normal girls are earnest Christians and there are some in the high school department who would gladly be baptized, but their parents have made them *promise* that they would not take that step. One of the older girls is nearly heartbroken because her father will not consent. We have excellent reports of the work done by our graduate teachers, and our hearts are full of gratitude for the privilege of living with these noble teachers and working for these girls, whose lives are counting so much for the Master among the women of Burma."

Bassein. Sgaw Karen. One wanders around this great compound and counts a score or more of buildings, all erected by these generous Karens. In September a new dormitory was dedicated at a cost of $6,000, and work has already been begun on the new high school building. We provide only the salaries of our missionaries, Miss Tingley and Miss Pennington. From January to December 920 names were put on the school roll, but 763 are "regulars," the largest attendance in the history of the school. There are over 3,000 village schools, and 626 have been added to the churches the past year from the schools. In the boarding department of the station school are 189 girls, most of whom come from Christian homes.

On the Pwo Karen compound we find Miss Alta Ragon alone with a school of 216 since Dr. Cronkhite left on furlough, but her sister, Miss Stella Ragon, sailed from New York April 11th and will soon be with her to share the burdens and blessings of this equally interesting work. Miss Tschirch was many years connected with this school, but at the request of Mrs. Rose has been transferred to the Karen Bible School at Ahlone, Rangoon.

Our Burman school with 656 pupils is in charge of Rev. W. L. Soper, who writes: "At our little Association held in a far-off village they passed resolutions in favor of non-marriage with Buddhists, of a system of tithing, and the 'win one' movement. Many of our pupils are Christians at heart, but the strong opposition of parents hinders a public confession. Two boys have been driven from their Buddhist homes because of their baptism. Miss Crooks expects to return to the school this year."

Prome. Miss Ayers, who is in charge of the educational work, is urging a new building for the Girls' Anglo-Vernacular School, which has outgrown its quarters in the chapel.

Tharrawaddy is a strong center for Karen work and our missionary trio is equal to the situation—Miss Higby, Miss Peterson and Miss Johnson.

Miss Higby has spent 47 years in Burma and is called a great school builder. Twenty years ago she went to Tharrawaddy and found a school of twenty-five boys. Today it numbers 530, 108 of whom are girls. The secret of her work, we are told, lies in her power to forget self and take a keen interest in each individual. Miss Peterson fits in anywhere and everywhere, but the 108 girls are her special charge. The first Sunday of July, 12 of the scholars were added to the church, and the last day of the old year, 30 more were baptized.

One interesting feature is the Literary Society, made up from teachers and the 53 high school pupils, and they debate such themes as, "Resolved, That the Study of History Is Preferable to the Study of Mathematics"; "Country Life Is Preferable to City Life"; "Girls Ought to Have a Higher Education," with excellent papers on the progress of the war—all in English.

Miss Johnson devotes much time to touring, visiting the homes in the Christian villages, and writes: "It is an inspiration to hear every evening the people in one house after another singing hymns before retiring. On our station compound just before the nine o'clock bell rings we hear singing in the different dormitories and know that our dear boys and girls are having evening worship."

Maubin. Karen. Two long months Miss Putnam was a prisoner in her room; the first time in 25 years that she has given up work because of illness. When Mr. Chaney left on furlough the whole work fell upon the ladies, Miss Pound taking the field work and Miss Putnam the school with its 165 boys and girls. She writes: "Had it not been for Miss Pound, our capable teachers and the spirit of harmony among the scholars I could not have done it. In October Mr. and Mrs. Hascall came to carry on the preachers' class and gave most helpful talks to the school. It is hard to root out evils ingrained by long years of heathen ancestry and heathen ideals. Ten of our pupils gave their hearts to Christ and were baptized. We have many village schools taught by our former pupils. These receive no aid from America, but some are helped financially by our Karen Woman's Society, and we consider them great evangelizing agencies.

Mandalay. The Burman Girl's Boarding School under the efficient management of Mrs. Elliott is called one of the brightest stars in the Mandalay firmament. In response to her urgent plea for a helper—since Miss Parrott has come home on furlough—Miss Nan Trantham, of Camden, South Carolina, graduate of Winthrop College, South Carolina, has been chosen and will sail with the missionary party in the fall. Plans are being made to provide a residence for the ladies and for other improvements on the school compound. There are 113 pupils and eight high school and normal pupils boarding here.

Mrs. Elliott writes: "Any account of the year would be incomplete without mention of the veranda Sunday School. Every Sunday morning a few of the girls go out to invite the children in, and by 7:30 o'clock we have an assembly of 75 children to listen to Bible stories and receive

picture cards. The two things most noticeable are the absence of clothing and that almost every child is carrying a younger one on her hip. But their voices, repeating Scripture texts and singing the dear old songs loved by children everywhere sound just the same as those who are clothed in silks. How we love our twenty-three dear little kindergartners! Mr. Tribolet has finished a room for them under his house which is simply ideal. It will be a happy day for me when my associate comes.''

English School. Miss Phillips, who takes her vacation this spring, cannot feel reconciled to leaving Mandalay until her successor is on the field. It is the intention of the Board to send some one without fail. Rs. 14,300 are needed to purchase land and buildings adjoining the compound, ''for health's sake, for the domestic department and for a school playground,'' as Miss Phillips writes. The buildings in front are unsanitary and the lot in the rear contains two substantial buildings, which are needed for dormitory and class-room purposes.

Sandoway. The Chins. Miss Bissell, the queen bee in the Sandoway hive, has parted with her mate, Miss Lewis, who is now on furlough. The contemplated removal of the A. B. F. M. S. mission house to the hill will leave her quite alone in the valley. The rains are very severe and last year were supplemented by unusual floods. ''The water entered the school house for the first time since it was built, and was six feet deep under our house. You can hardly imagine the mud and slush through which we had to wade after the flood subsided.

In June we reopened school, with some changes. Heretofore Vernacular and Anglo-Vernacular schools have been in the same building under our care, but for local reasons it was thought best to separate the schools and put the Vernacular School in Yaung Byin Zay, another part of Sandoway, under the supervision of Mr. Sonnichson, while we retain the Anglo-Vernacular boarding school. We have secured fully qualified teachers, also a new matron from the Bible Training School who teaches Bible daily and helps in the sewing classes. We had a fine Christmas celebration and hope the friends will kindly remember us again this year.''

The Personnel and Needs of the Mission

In spite of the difficulties of travel caused by the war, most of our missionaries have returned—Miss Hughes, Miss Good and Miss Prince to the schools in Moulmein, Miss Stella Ragon to Bassein, and Miss Neilson to be associated with Miss Fredrickson in evangelistic work in the Rangoon district. Miss Fredrickson writes: ''We are delighted to welcome Miss Neilson. You have reason to be proud of your Bible women here who are doing faithful, earnest work both in city and jungle. Twelve women for whom they have especially labored have been baptized, and four are now asking baptism. The women of the churches keep up their meetings throughout the year and give liberally for the mission work of the Convention and the training school at Insein, besides supporting a Bible woman in Rangoon. There is also a growing sense of responsibility for doing

the work. One woman said, 'I have decided to witness for Christ to every one who comes into my house.' There never was a brighter outlook; crowds listen to us and there is no opposition.''

The Misses Ranney and Phinney spent the hot season in the Nilgiri Hills, 7,500 feet above sea level, and returned in fine condition to open the Bible School in May. They have 24 girls—Burmans, Karens, Shans and Chins—all using the Burman language. A class of five graduated in January, 1915. The new dormitory is on our list of ''*Urgent Needs*'' and will be provided for on the next schedule.

Mrs. Rose, who has been greatly overworked in the Karen Bible School with sixty students, has called Miss Tschirch from Bassein to assist her, who expresses herself as most happy in this ''best work of all,'' Bible teaching. Missionaries testify that these Training Schools are invaluable and they cannot do their work satisfactorily without the help of trained Bible women.

Mrs. Mix continued her work on the Shan-English Dictionary until October, when she was taken very ill, was confined to her bed for months, and is now returning to America. Miss Clark of Bhamo and Miss Lemon of Pyinmana are also at home on furlough.

The home going of Mrs. Vinton, after fifty years of service among the Karens, removes one of the most efficient and best-loved missionaries in Burma. Having perfect command of the language, she has given the later years of her life to literary work. The great boarding school at Ahlone is self-supporting, but we have made a small grant for a few needy pupils. Mrs. Vinton's granddaughter, Miss Rachel Seagrave, who graduated from Granville College in June, has joined her parents and is now assisting in this Sgaw Karen boarding school.

Several mission stations are being manned by women while the missionary in charge is on furlough. Miss Peck is looking after the schools and field work at Pegu—and doing it well—while Mr. Parish is away.

Miss Thompson and Miss Lawrence will be alone at Tavoy, as Miss Scott is in this country and Mr. Cross' furlough is now due. Miss Thompson pleads for a helper; if possible, one who has had experience in a large Karen boarding school. She writes: ''As I look back over the year I feel as if I had been engaged in a fierce battle from May 11th through December, and feel that I must have an associate for the school.''

Since the return of Miss Price and Miss Lindberg to America, Miss Hawkes and Miss Petheram have superintended the schools at Shwegyin and Nyaunglebin. This has made it necessary to throw more heavy responsibilities upon the native teachers. They were gratified at the result of the All-India Sunday School examinations, some of their pupils standing at the head of the Sgaw Karen pupils of the province and receiving silver medals. The school at Papun has prospered under Miss Yaba's supervision.

Cheering reports came from Toungoo, where Miss Austin is caring for the Bhai Karen school and Mrs. Lawton was last year appointed to the Paku Karen school.

Henzada. Although Miss Stickney's furlough is overdue, she still remains at the station caring for the educational work. She writes: "My jungle Sunday School in the village of Sayadon, two miles from Henzada, is one of the most satisfactory parts of my work. The village is partly under water when the Irrawaddy is playing its wildest pranks during the rains, yet I have not missed a Sunday. Ma Mary is my right-hand helper, as she has always been. It is a joy to attend the Maymyo Bible Assembly and help in the women's meetings."

Maymyo. One need overshadows all others—a residence for Miss Slater, who is doing a good work at this hill station. Eleven have been added to the church from the school, and she superintends three Sunday Schools. In her jungle tours she says: "Many respond as we talk, 'That's good,' 'That's true,' but when we urge them to believe and receive the truth, they reply, 'I'll think about it.' It is hard for them to come to a decision."

The Kachins. In Upper Burma we have schools in three Kachin stations—Bhamo, Myitkyina and Namkham—superintended by missionaries of the General Society. Mr. and Mrs. Ingram excuse us from sending a teacher to Bhamo, as they will care for the educational work there, but ask that we grant the salary of a matron who will have charge of the girls' department. The report shows that the school is very prosperous.

Myitkyina. "Harmony and good team work," is the word from Mr. Geis. "The small boys raise the vegetables for the school, and the large boys made over 400 cement posts for government, bringing in Rs. 150. The new cook house is now occupied and was built by money raised here. The school is a strong evangelizing force among these wild people, and we thank you for your loyal support."

Namkham. "There are 110 Kachin boys and girls in our schools, and not one dull pupil among them! One boy baptized in September has led six families in his village to accept Christianity. We enjoy the new dormitory, built without drawing from your treasury, but we are obliged to use the girls' 'big room' for chapel and all services. We must have a chapel soon, and hope the Rs. 2,000 asked for will be granted. Our little jungle schools are lights on the hilltops."

Sagaing. Burman. "We need a boarding school here and wish you could send one of your teachers to this historic spot where Drs. Judson and Price preached Christ ninety years ago. The hills are still topped with pagodas and Buddhist monasteries." Mr. Griggs adds: "A picture of Atlas with the world on his shoulders does not represent a more colossal task than that which you missionary women of America have to meet the intellectual and spiritual needs of your sisters in the Orient. We do appreciate your prayers, your plans and letters fragrant with Christian love which breathe hope and courage into your representatives on the mission fields."

Marvelous as the results of our work have been in the past, a far greater work awaits us. With unwavering faith in God and in the women of our

churches we go forward, taking as our motto, "Christ for the world, the world for Christ."

Miss N. G. Prescott, Associate Foreign Secretary

A wise man centuries ago, from the experience of a long life, wrote that there is nothing new under the sun. The Associate Foreign Secretary, as she reviews the eight months of her service, feels almost inclined to question his conclusion and to affirm that there is very much new under the sun of which she never dreamed. Files and schedules, apportioned and unapportioned amounts, specifics, estimate blanks and Reference Committee reports have opened up untold depths of mystery and of knowledge, and she has often calmly walked where the angels of the Society have feared to tread. Her admiration, however, has grown apace for the women both at home and in the Orient who are each day living out the dreams that they are dreaming, for the coming of Jesus Christ in the world.

The work, thus far, of the Associate Foreign Secretary has followed, in the main, two very clearly defined lines; namely, the official and friendly correspondence with our workers in Japan and China, together with a general oversight of the work thereof, and the correspondence and acquaintance with the young women of our denomination who desire to go to the Orient as missionaries.

JAPAN

"Otakara! Otakara! Treasures to sell! Treasures to sell!" This is the cry of the Japanese vendors who sell a charm on the second evening of the New Year—a charm which is the picture of a treasure boat laden down with the Seven Lucky Gods. It will bring a lucky dream to those who put it under their pillows.

The Secretary for Japan also has a charm to which, on the threshold of the New Year, she would call the attention of her readers. It is the picture of another treasure boat laden down with the seven lucky mission stations in Japan where our sixteen missionary women are rendering such acceptable service. This charm will bring joy and thankfulness to all who put it, not under their pillows, but close to their hearts.

During the past year it has not always been clear sailing for the Treasure Boat. The feeling of suspicion and distrust against Americans has been quite pronounced in certain sections because of the stand taken by the citizens of California in regard to the Japanese immigrant. It has also been more difficult to carry on Christian work because of the questionings in the Oriental's mind when he sees the spectacle of so-called Christian nations at war, deliberately destroying human life and violating all the laws of love and brotherhood.

On the other hand, the visits of Dean Shailer Mathews and Dr. S. L. Gulick have done much to give a new importance to the Christian churches of Japan and have revealed an unexpected cordiality toward Christianity on the part of the Government representatives.

The first of the seven mission stations in the Treasure Boat is

MORIOKA

"I like the courtesy and kindness of the Christians," said a Government normal teacher, as he brought his little four-year-old daughter to Miss Jesse. This is a true comment on the spirit that permeates our kindergarten in Morioka. The year has been a happy one and the influence of the school has gone out beyond the children through the mothers and children's nurses and the gatherings held three or four times a year for the graduates, which now number one hundred and thirty. Our share in the evangelistic work at Morioka has been well cared for during the year by Mrs. Steadman. Then comes

SENDAI,

where, in our Girls' Boarding School, are found such happy faces and joyous hearts. Why? Because the Domestic Science course is an assured thing, and because the women of Nebraska have made it possible for a beginning to be made upon the plans for the new Science Hall. Five years ago when the Japanese Department of Education granted recognition to the school, new buildings were promised, and it is only this year that Miss Buzzell has been able to show the Government that the pledge will be redeemed. During 1915-1916 our Baptist women must find the remainder of the money to complete the necessary additions. Who will be that American woman to make the gift and receive the blessing? The school has won its place in the respect and confidence of the people, and a far greater work for Christ can be done as soon as the proper accommodations and equipment are provided.

With Miss Buzzell is Miss Acock, who loyally carries the Gospel story through muddy rice fields and over rough and difficult roads to little villages where she and her message receive a cordial welcome.

The third mission station in the Treasure Boat is

TOKYO,

which is very important and might quite overshadow all the rest, if its heart was not right, for here are found the Sarah E. Curtis Home School, the Students' Dormitory, the Kindergarten Training School, six kindergartens, and Miss Clagett's work for girls, which outreaches the city and extends to all parts of Japan.

The Home School reports a good year and sends out an eager call for a gymnasium, badly needed, and for a new teacher to assist Miss Whitman and to grow into the life of the school. The first request had not yet been granted, but the second is to be answered much to Miss Whitman's satisfaction, when, in the fall, Miss Allen, of Indiana, sails for Japan. Her excellent preparation and her youthful enthusiasm promise to become a valuable asset to the growth of the school.

The Students' Dormitory under Miss Ryder's faithful supervision has

left its impress on thirty-six Japanese, Chinese and Korean girls during the year. Rather cramped quarters and an imperfect equipment stand in the way, however, of a free and untrampled development.

It would be a great pleasure to give a full account of the most unusual opportunity that has been given to Miss Clagett. Suffice it to say now, however, that the way has unexpectedly opened for her to undertake a most beautiful and helpful work for the girls of Japan, at a most critical time in their lives. May God bless her and grant her a double portion of wisdom and of discretion.

The Kindergarten Training School has had a quiet, prosperous year. Miss Dithridge's consecrated enthusiasm has filled her pupils with such a love for their work and for their Saviour that it has overflowed into the hearts of the children and shown itself in the influence which the students have had upon the mothers of the little ones. The school is eminently practical, for, in connection with it, kindergartens are maintained where the pupils work out by actual experience what they are learning in the class room. One of these kindergartens, the Fukagawa, is less than two years old and was started in a slum neighborhood as the center of a Christian settlement work. The effort has been blessed and is capable of great development, if only a suitable building can be provided. Another good investment for a Baptist woman who is looking for the perennial dividend-paying variety!

Miss Dithridge's kindergartens, in which Miss Crosby will soon have a substantial share, together with the Ai-no-Sono, in Mrs. Axling's charge until her recent return to America on furlough, and the Starlight Kindergarten, under Miss Carpenter's wise management, form a very bright spot in our woman's work in Japan and a part of the chain of one hundred and twenty-six Christian kindergartens in the Island Empire. Three more of the number are found in connection with our fourth station,

KOBE,

and are under Mrs. R. A. Thomson's direction. The well known Zenrin, the morning kindergarten, has been full to overflowing and has a good-sized waiting list. Families who never had heard of Christianity have come to feel the uplift of its teaching and have been anxious to enroll their children. In the afternoon the work begins all over again with a different set of children—little forlorn mites from Kobe's "east end." These children quickly respond to the lessons, kindly given, in cleanliness and brotherly love, until the sentiment of the entire neighborhood has changed toward the hated foreigner and his religion. Another kindergarten rests very close to Mrs. Thomson's heart, and that is the one in Naha, Liu Chiu Islands, which has suffered a serious loss in the accidental death by drowning of its gifted principal. The work has now fallen upon Mrs. Hara-guchi, the wife of the Japanese missionary in charge of the Baptist work in Naha. She reports that twice as many children would come if there was only room for them. This is the much needed building for which Mrs. Thomson has

been pleading so earnestly. May she have the courage and the faith to continue to ask until her prayer is answered. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least, . . . ye have done it unto Me."

KANAGAWA

The Mary Colby School has had several red letter days throughout the year. The first came in the spring, when Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Peabody were so joyfully welcomed by both teachers and pupils. Then in the winter came Miss Bixby, the new teacher of music. She stayed only to admire and be admired and then was whisked off to Tokyo for language study. In April there came another day that brought sadness rather than rejoicing, when the beloved principal, Miss Converse, bade a reluctant Au Revoir to her home, the teachers and the beautiful Japanese girls and sailed away to America for a much needed furlough. She leaves College, High School, Kindergarten, Sunday Schools, Y. W. C. A. and evangelistic work in good condition and in the competent and reliable care of Miss Ruth French, who has so loyally assisted Miss Converse for the past five years.

The sixth mission station is

OSAKA,

where we find Miss Danielson hard at work with the women and children in nine different centers and ten Sunday Schools, and the Bible Woman's Training School under the devoted care of Miss Mead. In last year's Annual Report there was such an urgent appeal for the two buildings—recitation hall and missionary residence—which, added to the new dormitory already finished and occupied, would give an adequate and efficient plant for carrying on our work. All at Osaka were made very happy when this request was granted and the money sent to the field. The work of building is now proceeding rapidly and by September it is expected that it will be completed. Miss Mead, with her usual disregard of her own best good, is deferring her furlough, now due, until the buildings are finished and she can leave the school running under normal and comfortable conditions.

Last of all, but by no means least, is our beautiful Girls' School at

HIMEJI,

which reports a happy year of steady progress under Miss Wilcox's efficient and loving care. To more than thirty girls in the school has 1914 brought a deepening knowledge of Jesus' love and the courage to confess that love in public baptism. The school reaches all classes—rich and poor, high and low—and all sections of Japan from Hokkaido in the north to Korea in the south. Miss Wilcox is looking forward with dread and sadness to September, when she must bid farewell to Miss Hiscox, who has been a wonderful help and comfort and who is obliged, because of family conditions, to return to this country. Miss Wilcox writes: "Under her wise leadership eleven

Sunday Schools have flourished, a Boys' Club has been organized, also a Young Woman's Society. It is hard indeed to be resigned to her returning to America, but she believes that God is leading her back, and our faith is strong that He will provide for His work here.'' We believe that He has done that in sending to us Miss Pawley, of New York, a graduate of Barnard College, Columbia, and a teacher for two years at Mt. Hermon Boys' School, Mt. Hermon, Mass., who expects to sail for Japan in the fall, eventually to take the position which Miss Hiscox's departure leaves vacant.

Now the tale of the Treasure Boat is told. In spite of occasional adverse winds and rough waves, the sky is still clear and the rudder strong and firm. The Treasure Boat promises, therefore, for 1915 to ''come into port greatly or sail with God the seas.''

CHINA

''The Emergency in China'' is the title of a recently published book, but it forms equally well the refrain which it is hoped will be sounded through and through this report. From an age-long sleep China awakes, and like the little child, bewildered by its dreams and the brilliant light of the new day, it cries for immediate attention. It wants so many things all at once—industrial development, political adjustment, social changes and a spiritual anchorage—that it does not know which should come first. Those who have lived longer, however, in the world of today are very sure that the development of a Christian character and a Christian civilization are the emergent needs of this great nation. It is to this end that our Society has thirty-four women at work in China today, four under appointment and twelve more earnestly asked for by our three China Missions.

SOUTH CHINA

Swatow

In Swatow there was great rejoicing on the 25th of December, when a Christmas present, fresh from America, arrived in the form of Miss Culley. Her presence gave strength to the hope that our Girls' School, closed now for two years, for lack of a teacher, will, in the course of eighteen months more, be reopened and the girls, scattered to the four winds, be reassembled. Upon Miss Ethel Smith's arrival in the late fall, the hope will grow into a certainty that with two American-trained teachers the work can be resumed and the School, which has already had such an influence for good, may again take and hold its place in the education of the girls of South China.

Ungkung

At Ungkung, Mrs. Lewis has been waging a brave battle, single-handed, in our Girls' School, which she has maintained with great success in spite of overcrowding—twenty children in eight beds—and a damp, dark building

with a leaky roof and walls on which the mould grows faster than it can be removed. She writes: "Did you ever try to sew with a blunt needle and no thimble? That is what I am doing in Ungkung in the Girls' School." Then with the sublime faith that is such a strong characteristic of our missionaries, Mrs. Lewis adds: "My heart is lighter over that building than it has been since we began to ask for it, for some way, somehow, I'm sure it will come."

Evangelistic Work

Our evangelistic work of South China has been in charge of Miss Sollman and Miss Traver, at Swatow, and Miss Campbell, at Kaying. The Woman's School at Swatow has had a prosperous year with an enrollment of fifty-nine capable, earnest women, anxious to learn, who will become strong helpers when they have finished their course. Even with the faithful supervision of these three women, however, woman's work in South China is very inadequately and unsatisfactorily carried on because of the great demand and the scarcity of workers in the field. In the Tie-Chiu territory, alone, there are more than a thousand towns and cities where the doors are opened as never before and the opportunities magnificent for classes of women in the whole countryside. With Kityang as a working center, with 44 buildings spacious enough for classes of considerable size, with a consecrated college girl pleading to take up the work, only one thing is lacking—the money to finance it.

Medical Work

There is little to report this year regarding our hospital at Swatow because of Dr. Anna K. Scott's enforced return to this country and the necessity for Dr. Mildred Scott to have time, free from responsibility, for acquiring the language. At

KITYANG

Dr. Bacon has had a busy year. What American doctor can present a report of time and energies more lavishly given? Four hundred and forty-seven operations performed— on an average of more than one a day; 1,732 different diseases treated—more than a superficial knowledge of medicine required; a class of 7 Chinese girls in training as nurses—constant attention demanded that the work in class room and laboratory be maintained at a high standard of excellence during the four years' course. In all her labors Dr. Bacon has the assistance of no American nurse, as Miss Northcott, although at Kityang, will not have completed the necessary language study until in the fall. Dr. Bacon sends an earnest request for individually endowed beds, renewed and modern equipment, and the salary of an additional nurse. And then she adds, "Please do *not* pigeonhole this report and these needs." Shall we? What do you say, O Baptist women?

Ungkung

With what high hopes have we watched the development of the Dispensary at Ungkung which Miss Withers in her few months of work placed on an almost self-supporting basis. Two days distant from any physician, willing to pay a fee and the price of the medicine received, the Chinese have been eager for the relief the Dispensary could offer, and the Gospel story daily given "without money and without price." Miss Withers, however, has been called to what it is hoped will prove to be a magnificent opportunity for an enlarged service, as Superintendent of Nurses in the Medical Missionary Hospital at Canton—a union work for the entire Province of Kuang-Tung. She has left Ungkung and the Dispensary doors are closed. Missionaries of South China write, in italics, "This work, practically self-supporting from the start, should not be dropped, on any consideration."

The Educational Situation in East China

has reached an extremely interesting point as far as the women and girls are concerned. With the general demand for education by rich and poor alike, and with the very evident desire on the part of many Chinese young women for a higher education than any of the schools of China afford, there is no question about the necessity of putting the work on a substantial and assured basis and acknowledging that the "education of women" has come to stay as an important factor in the Chinese girl's life.

It is only very recently that there has been any consideration of the

Kindergarten Question,

but it is now developing rapidly. There is a general awakening regarding the importance of work with the children and a demand for the trained teacher. The Government is providing very little in the way of kindergarten training. The door is therefore opened for the Christian missionary to do effective work. This we hope to see done, now that Miss Rawlings, trained in kindergarten and primary methods, has returned to China and is ready to begin her work in Hangchow. With a few High School graduates with whom to form a class and one or two kindergartens for practice work, she will have the nucleus for what should prove an important educational development.

From our Girls' Schools of primary and grammar grades at

Huchow and Shaohsing

there come good reports for the year. Miss Fetzer has two problems on her hands, both difficult of solution. One is how to secure suitable teachers for the school, for there are no Teachers' Agencies in China whose assistance she can seek. High school graduates available as teachers are rare, and a grammar school graduate able to teach, without further preparation, the grades which she has herself only just left, exceedingly difficult to find.

Her other problem is how to live comfortably in cramped, makeshift quarters in the school building in rooms too small for one person, and then to provide for Miss Jones when she returns in the early fall. From the standpoint of efficiency and conservation of the strength and nerves of these two consecrated women, a house in which to live appears to be an absolute and immediate necessity.

The outlook at Shaohsing is most promising. The school is making a marked impression upon the wealthiest and most aristocratic families and is the only school in the city which thus appeals to them and to which they are willing to send their girls. Miss Nairn plans this coming year to extend the number to forty, but is a little troubled because if China should suddenly establish a Board of Health which should demand adequate breathing space in the school buildings, as in this country, she would be forced to dismiss some of these bright girls or enlarge the school building. The simple changes such as she would need to make would cost a thousand dollars. It might be a good plan to have all the changes made in advance of the appearance of a Chinese Board of Health. Miss Nairn looks forward with pleasure to the arrival in the fall of Miss Ettenger, who will gradually take over the care of the school. At

KINHWA

Miss Relyea hopes to bring the standard of the Girls' Boarding School to full high school grade within a few years. The last graduation exercises made a marked impression upon the city when the government school teachers and leading officials were invited to attend and accepted the invitation. They were much pleased with the compositions, flag drill and other exercises which formed the program. Miss Peterson is already a valuable assistant to Miss Relyea and has begun her teaching by taking classes in beginning English and music. At

NINGPO

Miss Zimmerman has been joyfully welcomed back to the Sarah Batchelor Memorial School and a fond farewell given to Miss Elgie, as she returns to America on furlough. The hearts of both have rejoiced as they watched, particularly, the girls in the High School department attain higher standards of living and ideals which would never have influenced their lives if they had not had the advantages of the school. The first attempt of our Society to cooperate with other Mission Boards in East China, that a larger, stronger and more efficient plant for secondary education may result, is at

HANGCHOW,

in the Union Girls' School, which was opened in 1912 and on whose Faculty we have Miss Woods as our representative. At present there is a total

enrollment of over 100 pupils in the three departments—Primary, Higher Primary and High School. Land has been purchased in the old Manchu city of Hangchow and the contract for four buildings—Residence, Recitation Hall and two Dormitories—will soon be let and the work of erection begin. The keen desire for a higher education on the part of some Chinese girls is more fully realized when attention is called to the eighty or more who have voluntarily exiled themselves from home and relatives, for a period of four or five years, to come half around the world to enter the preparatory schools and colleges of the United States. That such a separation from the customs and ideals of their native country is far from being considered an unalloyed blessing to these girls cannot be denied. A Christian College for Women in China has been an urgent need, and it is a great satisfaction to realize that this need is being met in the rapid and sure development of the Woman's College at

Nanking

Six Mission Boards are cooperating, money for the land has been given by a large-hearted American woman, plans for its purchase and the erection of permanent buildings are being made, a president has been chosen and several members of the faculty, among whom we find Miss Nourse as our Baptist representative. To help, either much or little, in the growth of a Woman's College in any country is a great opportunity, but in a land where higher education among women has been practically unknown and among a constituency eager to avail itself of this privilege, it is a rare work for any woman.

Evangelistic Work

Dr. John R. Mott, in "The Present World Situation," says, regarding the attitude of Oriental people toward Christianity: "The cause of the Christian religion is entering upon a new age. Old things are passing away; all things are becoming new. The non-Christian nations are indeed wide open; they are more accessible than ever; their fields are dead ripe; they are ready for the sickle. The time has come to reap on a scale which transcends anything hitherto attempted." In spite of the war and the spectacle of so-called Christian people at each other's throats in mortal combat, there has been apparent a wonderful willingness on the part of the Chinese to receive the Word with all readiness of mind and to search the Scriptures to discover for themselves the Truth.

Our two Bible Schools for Chinese women, at Ningpo, under Miss Covert, and at Shaohsing, under Miss Dowling, feel the impetus of this changed attitude on the part of the Chinese, as do all our evangelistic workers in East China. At

Shaohsing

Miss Dowling's heart rejoices over a generous gift which makes her dream for a new Woman's Building a reality which will enable her to

carry on her work under more favorable conditions and to develop it, as she has every opportunity to do.

Ningpo

Miss Covert has had a total enrollment for the year of 60 women, and is quietly, but effectively, placing the school on a firm basis. The work, both in the school and in the surrounding villages, will receive an added impetus with Miss Cressey's return to Ningpo in the fall.

Kinhwa and Huchow

The same vision of enlarged work in needy fields is being dreamed by Miss Relyea at Kinhwa and Miss Jones at Huchow. One of the primary needs, however, in each case, is a Woman's Building where classes can be held and the women come to remain for a longer or shorter time for training before being sent out into the surrounding country to visit and teach in the Chinese homes. These buildings are necessary adjuncts to efficient evangelistic work, for it is just as difficult to work in China without the proper tools as it is in America, and just as difficult to carry on a sustained work at any station with an inadequate number of trained workers. East China adds two to its list this year in Miss van Hook and Miss Shoemaker, who offer well-trained minds and a consecrated love of the Master on the altar of service. In the late fall an evangelistic campaign in connection with the Sherwood-Eddy meetings was entered upon in

Hangchow

for the purpose of reaching the school girls and the women. As our share in the work, under Mrs. Sweet's direction, six Bible women were put into the field to go from house to house to prepare the people for the meetings. A large number of homes were in this way visited prior to the three mass meetings, which were well attended by students from the schools. Out of the 200 from the Government Normal Schools, eighty signed cards for Bible study, and sixty from the seventy students who attended from the Industrial School also signified their desire to join Bible classes. Now comes the follow-up work, which must be carefully and thoroughly carried on if these young women are to be definitely and safely brought into the Kingdom of God.

Medical Work

A beautiful quartette of faithful hand maidens is ours in the service of healing in the hospitals of East China. In point of time of arrival, Miss Smith is the youngest and is just beginning her language study. Miss Sparey comes next, and is now entering upon her work as assistant to Dr. McKenzie at Kinhwa. Miss Pittman, the third, became last fall the superintendent of the Woman's Wards in the Christian Hospital, under

Dr. Goddard, at Shaohsing. Miss Martin is the last of the quartette and with the background of four years' experience is hard at work in Ningpo with Dr. Grant in his overcrowded hospital and dispensary.

CENTRAL CHINA

It is hard to say "farewell" to a dear friend, especially when we know that it is for the last time, but that is what we have been obliged to do this year to our old and beloved Hanyang. The Girls' School is closed, our dispensary and hospital work ended, and Miss Crowl, our evangelistic worker, patiently waiting to know the Lord's will as to her future field of labor. Miss Roeder has already taken the long journey by steamer and sedan chair to

WEST CHINA,

and has reached in safety the distant station of

YACHOWFU,

a small city of 500,000, on the banks of the Ya River. There, in some old, small, dilapidated Chinese buildings at the rear of the church compound, she is planning to begin her Girls' Boarding and Day School. There is already a large Government school for girls in the city. It is, therefore, only as our Christian school is made more attractive, and more fully meets the educational, moral and spiritual needs of the girls of Yachow, that it is going to become a school of influence and power in the city. New or renovated buildings, a good course of study and a strong corps of teachers are Miss Roeder's emergent needs. Late in the fall she will have the companionship of Miss Cody, who will begin our evangelistic work in Yachow. Not so far from the beaten track, at

SUIFU,

we find another of our former Hanyang missionaries—Dr. Bretthauer, who is expecting to open a woman's hospital there just as soon as a suitable building can be provided. With the assistance of Miss Crawford, who within a few months hopes to join her, the Doctor will be able to do a much needed work for women both in the city and among the two million people of the district.*

While the hammer and the saw are not yet busy with the work of erecting the new hospital, they are making progress on the missionary residence which this year is being added to our Woman's Compound and which is going to make living conditions pleasanter and easier for Miss Page and Miss Bassett. From the Girls' Boarding School comes the report of a good year, with the need of larger class room space for a steadily growing enrollment. Miss Page hopefully writes that she wishes

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* Upon advice of Dr. Franklin, Dr. Bretthauer will remain for a few months longer at Hanyang.

always to be needing more rooms, as that will mean that the school is continually expanding.

In Miss Bassett's heart is the vision of a well established School for Women for the better class, which shall meet the needs of those wealthy but uneducated women as well as offer a course of study to those preparing for Bible woman's work. Toward the realization of her dream Miss Bassett made a beginning for three months this year. The seven earnest women who came daily, in spite of opposition and other hindrances, justify the hope that the work will grow and be a great blessing to the women at Suifu. The same friendly interest in the Gospel story is shown by the upper class ladies of

KIATING

and by the wives of the officials who specially invited Miss Mason to visit them in their homes—hitherto unentered by any Christian worker. Although all of the extensive work among the women is important, Miss Mason feels that the intensive work done in the Woman's Bible School yields the best results and should be continued as long as our Mission has work in Kiating. In the capital city of

CHENGTU,

in the new Union Normal School, is our representative, Miss Chambers. This venture in union work has opened propitiously with an enrollment of twelve girls for the first term, and the promise of a large addition. This school has a hopeful future before it, as it can do much to simplify the educational problem of West China by providing a steady supply of well trained young women capable of becoming teachers in the primary and secondary schools.

The "Emergency in China" brooks no delay. It is the business of our Lord and requireth haste—a business the outlook of which is as "bright as the promises of God." To these well known words might be added the comment of Mr. D. L. Moody, "The promises of God are not dated."

REPORT OF CANDIDATE SECRETARY

Correspondence

One of the legacies of the two former Societies, which descended with the mantle of loving good will to the new regime, was a mass of correspondence covering a longer or shorter period, between former Secretaries and our young women candidates. This material has been carefully examined and sifted, the impossible and improbable being removed, until a list of the names of one hundred and twenty-eight candidates remained. To these a letter of greeting and explanation was sent, together with an enrollment card, which each girl was asked to fill out and return. A little later, from the Young Women's Summer Conferences, were received lists of Baptist young women—largely student volunteers—to the number of one hundred and ten. To each one of these also was sent a letter and enrollment card. From other sources, north, south, east and west, have come during the winter the names of young women whose hearts have been stirred by the opportunities for Christian service in the Orient—until ninety-eight more first letters and cards have gone out. To three hundred and thirty-six young women in our Baptist churches, therefore, have these letters and cards been sent. Out of this number, one hundred and thirty-six have replied favorably and have expressed a desire to be considered as our candidates.

To this number—one hundred and thirty-six—a second letter has been sent, dealing with the three requisites for missionary service—namely, health, preparation, and consecration—and designed to anticipate and answer a few of the many questions that the average young woman desires to ask and to enable a few perhaps to decide for themselves as to their fitness for such service. A third letter is following in May, giving the dates and places of some of the Summer Conferences, suggesting the possibility of attendance, and outlining a brief course of missionary reading for vacation months. In other words, this letter has been sent out that these girls may know that the Secretary has not forgotten them and that the fragile thread that holds the young women of our churches to our Society may become somewhat stronger.

Out of the one hundred and thirty-six favorable answers received, thirty-four indicated a willingness to accept appointment at once, seven in 1916, fourteen in 1917, twelve in 1918, ten in 1919, six in 1920, two in 1921, and fifty-one were uncertain as to the time. That many of these, upon closer and longer scrutiny, will be found to be unfitted for foreign service, for one cause or another, is in no wise denied. From the results obtained from the Student Volunteer lists, there was a slight surprise. From one set of six letters sent to girls who had only a month or two previously volunteered for mission service no answers were received; from

another of nine, four replied; from still another of four nothing was heard. In fact, from a total of thirty-five letters sent in response to the first lists received fourteen replies were received. The Secretary of the Student Volunteers, however, assures us that this result is what is naturally to be expected.

There are many pleasant features connected with a correspondence of this kind—the cordial response in the majority of cases, the frank appreciation expressed by many girls that some one from their own denomination is showing an interest in them, and the satisfaction that comes from the thought that one has a share in guiding and in helping young lives on the threshold of a larger service for the Master.

There are, however, many aspects of the question which cause it to assume the proportions of a problem which often weighs heavily upon the heart of a conscientious Secretary. Preparation is one point to be considered most carefully, especially as more and more the demand for teachers from the Orient is that they be college or normal trained. In India, Burma, Assam and Japan this demand is imperative, and it is really a waste of money to send any other kind. China has not yet reached the point where its teachers must be able to show accredited diplomas, but that it will attain to this standard within a comparatively few years there is no doubt. The idea is also passed and gone that the ordinary Sunday School trained girl is fitted to teach the Bible to the eager, keen, analytical minds of the Oriental school boy or girl, man or woman. The desire that so many of our missionaries on furlough exhibit for further Bible study proves beyond doubt what is their opinion regarding thorough religious training. Because, therefore, our young women must know the ground whereon they stand, a Bible course of a year or longer in duration is expected of all who are looking forward to foreign mission service. So important is this question regarding preparation considered by the Missionary Societies of the different denominations that, as a part of the work of the Continuation Committee of the Ecumenical Conference of 1910, a Board of Missionary Preparation was appointed with the avowed purpose of securing the most adequate kind and quality of preparation for those who are in training for Christian work abroad. There is every indication that this Board will be able to give substantial assistance both to the young man and woman seeking appointment and to the Societies who are looking for the very best material our country affords for foreign mission service.

A second aspect of the work, not yet satisfactorily dealt with, is the impossibility of personally interviewing all of these candidates, and thus, in some cases, turning the girl at once into other channels of Christian service and saving much valuable time on both sides. It is a well known fact that a most unprepossessing candidate is often able to write a most attractive letter.

In the third place, there is a constant danger that the Society may entertain an angel unawares and allow to slip away from its hold the girl

who, without the full quota of preparation, has a perfect genius for reaching out for the unsaved soul and bringing it into the Kingdom. It is a power the strength of which it is almost impossible to estimate at sight and a gift of God that no amount of education can supply.

A fourth difficulty lies in the fact that appointments are not usually made until in the spring, often after the time when it is necessary for a young woman to decide upon her work for the next year and, if she is a teacher, sign a contract which is usually considered binding. The Foreign Department is hampered, in other words, by its inability to determine the number of young women it will be able to send out because of the inelasticity of its schedule and the fear of a deficit at the end of the year. This appearance of delay, of indefiniteness, of trying to hold at bay these anxious, eager souls, is most unsatisfactory and at the same time offers an excellent opportunity for losing some of the choicest spirits among our candidates. The brighter the girl, the more complete and thorough her preparation, the more opportunities she has to be diverted from her purpose and sidetracked into other lines of Christian or social service. If a sure and safe method could be found by which the appointments could be made at an earlier date and the most desirable candidates thereby kept under the fostering care of the Society, it would relieve the correspondence of much of its embarrassment and conserve for us some of the best of our resources in the schools, colleges and churches.

A fifth aspect of the problem, which forms an important factor and which often seriously stands in the way of complete preparation, is the financial condition of a majority of our applicants. Many of them are teachers who have been earning but a few years, or girls who have worked their way through normal school or college. In many cases the families are unable to render further assistance. It is therefore necessary for many candidates to work to earn board, room or tuition while carrying on their studies. This means that the young woman often brings a tired body, spent energies and depleted mental vigor to the lecture room and the examination hall. One young woman known to the Secretary attends school in the morning and works in a downtown store from two until ten, and acknowledges that she has absolutely no time to do the reading required; another is out until a late hour nearly every night in the week, carrying on settlement work, and many are stenographers holding regular positions for every afternoon. If it were possible for the Secretary to know of loan or gift funds and scholarships in the different states or districts, for which application could be made, or if there was some more or less dependable fund for such a purpose within our own Society, it would be possible, oftentimes, to act more quickly and definitely regarding a most desirable candidate whose way to the foreign field seems blocked because of a lack of money. It is too great a strain to impose upon the average girl—hard study and insistent toil for mere bread and butter, shelter and clothes—just the year before she is to leave home to endure unaccustomed conditions in an Oriental climate and hard work in difficult language study.

Appointments

For 1915, eleven appointments have thus far been made. Six of these young women are graduates of well known colleges—Barnard, Cornell, Franklin and Winthrop; and four are graduates of State Normal Schools at Fitchburg, Geneseo and Salem. Ten of them have been successful teachers, and nine have had special work in Bible study, ranging in duration from one term to three years.

This report has been given more at length than is customary in the annals of our Missionary Societies, and the difficulties in connection with our candidate correspondence, presented in no spirit of complaint, have been dwelt upon in the hope that as the District Candidate Committees enter more fully upon their work with the young women of our churches they will be able to cooperate more intelligently with the (National) Foreign Department in its difficult duty of fitting the right woman to the right place in the Master's work abroad, and in understanding the delicacy of the task involved, that no offense may be given either to eager young women or to the church of God, and that, while the Foreign Department seeks not its own profit, it may secure the profit of many, that the world may be saved.

SUMMARY OF FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

One hundred and fifty-three missionaries, 11 under appointment; 79 married missionaries received appropriations from our treasury for work among women and children; 968 schools, 34,492 pupils; 583 Sunday Schools; 296 Bible women; 1,892 baptisms.

BURMA.—Fifty-two missionaries; 350 schools; 16,070 pupils; 47 Bible women; 1,032 baptisms.

ASSAM.—Ten missionaries; 114 schools; 3,657 pupils; 6 Bible women; 230 baptisms.

INDIA.—Twenty-four missionaries; 291 schools; 7,937 pupils; 191 Bible women; 313 baptisms.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—Ten missionaries; 8 schools; 251 pupils; 16 Bible women; 38 baptisms.

CHINA.—Thirty-seven missionaries; 28 schools; 782 pupils; 20 Bible women; 38 baptisms.

JAPAN.—Eighteen missionaries; 15 schools; 945 pupils; 13 Bible women; 57 baptisms.

AFRICA.—Two missionaries; 162 schools; 4,850 pupils; 2 Bible women; 184 baptisms.

FRANCE.—Two Bible women.

FIELD DEPARTMENT

Ella D. MacLaurin, General Field Secretary

It is impossible to crowd into a few paragraphs a report of the work of the Field Department for the first year of our united Society. Knit together as never before by a bond of prayer and purpose, we have been lifted above the boundaries of ''East'' and ''West'' and have rejoiced in the power of a united Baptist womanhood—to put into the lives of the women of Christless lands the love that has redeemed and transformed our own. It is most gratifying to report, on the part of hundreds of women, a growing appreciation of the importance, reality and bigness of the Task and the fact that we Baptist women alone are responsible for the winning and training, through home, school and church, of thirty millions of women and children in non-Christian lands. This revelation has crystallized in a deeper sense of individual responsibility—a more intelligent study of the fields abroad and the problems at home—a new emphasis on the spiritual life—a new emphasis on prayer as a vital factor in the accomplishment of His work—a new emphasis on faith in God as the abundant source of all our needs.

OUR FORCE

The story of the year with its trials and triumphs can never be reported by pen or voiced by human tongue. The untiring devotion of our officers in district, state, association and local church cannot be too strongly emphasized. The national officers have been nobly assisted by our small but efficient staff of field secretaries. Miss Ruby T. Weyburn in the Columbia River District, Miss Ina E. Burton in the Rocky Mountain and West Central, Miss Inga Petterson in the Pacific Coast District, Mrs. Stewart and Miss Thompson as joint workers in the Northwest District, and Miss Gerda Paulson among the Scandinavian churches—with splendid courage and consecration have wrought victoriously. Special deputation work has been done during the year by the missionaries who were at home on furlough. New England, Atlantic, New York and Central Districts have heard the story of the need, opportunity and privilege from these representatives.

The word ''victory'' is written in letters of gold over many faith-filled groups of women in church, association, state and district. They have conquered difficulties. They have put to flight an army of ''It cannot be done's''. They have obtained answers to prayer; they have received a lasting stimulus to a deeper spiritual life and a closer companionship with Christ.

CHANGES IN SECRETARIAL STAFF

Miss Inga Petterson, after six years of ceaseless, efficient service, accepts a position as pastor's assistant to Dr. James A. Francis of Los Angeles, Calif. She carries with her to her new work the love, confidence and best wishes of this Society.

Mrs. S. F. Stewart, after many years of the most faithful service as joint worker, finds the work too strenuous for her limited strength. We regret deeply to release these two noble women from our staff.

State Secretaries

The following changes have occurred in the ranks of our senior secretaries:

Mrs. Wm. H. Farmer succeeds Mrs. E. O. Silver in New Jersey.
Mrs. Charles Gates, Miss Sarah W. Brown in District of Columbia.
Mrs. Wm. G. Kinton, Mrs. R. E. Fitch in Wyoming.
Mrs. G. M. Zimmerman, Mrs. Anna J. Goss in Utah.
Mrs. C. E. Johnson, Mrs. N. J. Nelson in North Dakota.
Mrs. H. T. Wilson, Mrs. J. H. Kerr in Nebraska.
Mrs. Emory B. Pease, Mrs. Thomas Stephenson in Montana.
Mrs. Milton Shirk, Miss Carrie E. Perrine in Illinois.
Mrs. J. E. Reynolds, Mrs. C. B. Hart in Colorado.
Mrs. Grace Jacobs, Mrs. G. G. Van Zandt in Southern California.
Mrs. Chas. S. Young, Miss Grace Colburn in Eastern Massachusetts.

Mrs. J. J. Jones has changed her name and address, but we rejoice that as Mrs. A. H. Strong she is still our efficient secretary, with Miss Alma Noble as her associate, in Western New York.

Junior Secretaries

We welcome Miss Carrie E. Hinckley in Western Maine.
Mrs. J. E. Huhn in District of Columbia.
Mrs. James Hill succeeds Mrs. A. B. Miller in West Virginia.
Miss Ellen Little, Miss Florence K. Campbell in Ohio.
Miss Maud Davis, Miss Pauline Long in New Jersey.
Miss Ella Marshall of Northern California resigned.
Miss Elizabeth Sargent, in New Hampshire.

Miss Marion Clapp succeeds Mrs. L. P. Bond as Junior Secretary in Eastern Massachusetts.

Miss Edith O. Sawyer of Colorado and Miss Mildred Pope of Nebraska resigned as children's secretaries.

PROMOTION PLANS

In an effort to secure the HIGHEST EFFICIENCY our officers have emphasized the following fundamental principles:

(a) We have tried to look ahead and prepare our plans in advance.

(b) To start out not only with a simple and clear policy but with fixed methods along the various lines to which we hope to hold a sufficient length of time to thoroughly try them out.

(c) To develop individuals—especially those possessing qualities for effective leadership. We have tried to lay strong emphasis on the fundamental, underlying principle of the new organization—every woman a vital factor in the work.

With so many capable women in our Baptist churches, it ought not to be difficult to supply this demand. In order to develop leaders, secure the adoption of our policy and Standard of Excellence, push plans for extension and efficiency, develop the prayer and spiritual life. We have utilized conferences, institutes, round-tables, afternoon teas, banquets and many other methods to interest and train the splendid unused talent in our churches. Over 650 associations, conventions, conferences, festivals, peace pageants and institutes have been attended by our office staff, field secretaries, state officers and missionaries, and 933 churches have been visited by our field secretaries. Circles have been organized, literature and libraries sold, subscriptions taken for our periodicals, and hundreds of personal conferences held with individuals and officers. One of our field secretaries sold 1,100 missionary books. What a chapter of consecration in our missionary annals are the lives of these devoted young women, and how much they have meant to the extension of His Kingdom not only abroad but at the home base!

PIONEERS! PIONEERS!! PIONEERS!!!

How proud we are of our Pioneers! States have vied with each other to confer this honor upon beloved missionaries, officers, mothers, daughters, even wee babies, shut-ins and members of the old guard to whom so many of us owe all our interest in world movements. Each one represents a gift of ten dollars for our Master, and it can be truly said that on the Pioneers of the new W. A. B. F. M. S. the sun never sets. As the earth revolves upon its axis and the voice of one Pioneer sinks into the silence of the night, another and another greets the rising sun, telling out among the Nations the story of our risen Christ.

"Every year is a fresh beginning,
Every spring do we start anew.
We who are eager and constantly dinning
Find here a beautiful hope and true—
A hope for me and a hope for you."

For more work, more responsibility, more victories. Like the little Scotch serving maiden, who as she scrubbed the great hardwood floor, smiling, said: "Dinna fash! We'll get it done; we're working together, Him and me." It is in this spirit the W. A. B. F. M. S. greets

THE NEW YEAR

I. OUR *SLOGAN*—"TOGETHER: TO GET HER"
"Workers together with Him"

To get the 700,000 women and girls in the Baptist churches of the Northern States who are yet to be enlisted in this great work.

II. OUR *CHALLENGE*—"*Bring ye* all the tithes into the storehouse and *prove me* now herewith, saith *Jehovah of Hosts*, if *I will* not open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

III. *HYMN* —"The Son of God Goes Forth to War
A Kingly Crown to Gain . . .
Who follows in His train?"

IV. OUR *OBJECTIVE*

1. 10 new missionaries.
2. $331,342.00.
3. 10,000 new women added to the membership of our splendid circles.
4. 10,000 MISSIONARY INTERCESSORS who will join our Prayer League and *pray these things through.*

REPORT OF PUBLICATION DEPARTMENT

Frances K. Burr, Publisher

The past year has, of necessity, been one of reorganization and adjustment. The headquarters of the department has been centered in Chicago, and a new catalog of the publications of the new Society prepared and distributed. In getting together the literatures of the east and west, it has been most gratifying to see to what a large extent they supplemented each other, and we feel that we have a fine start toward the splendid literature we hope to have soon.

The literature of the year has been chiefly such as would be demanded during a period of reorganization; i. e., literature to familiarize the constituency with the new plan of organization and the larger field of activity, and to afford our splendid new groups of workers suggestions for making the work uniform and efficient. Some progress has been made toward the material so much needed for the different departments of the home base. What has been done along this line has been largely for the younger members. New certificates for Cradle Roll and Little Helpers; charming letters for Cradle Roll, Little Helpers and Juniors, together with a most attractive children's box are an earnest of what we hope may be done next year for the young women.

The heaviest piece of work during the year was the series of graded lessons for Sunday Schools issued in conjunction with the Sunday School Coöperating Committee. It was not only a new venture, but necessarily on such a large scale as to tax the mettle of a group of people who were so new and inexperienced in publication work. There was, however, ample reward for all the labor in the enthusiastic reception with which the lessons met all over the country, and it seems quite certain that the financial returns from the Sunday Schools in 1915-16 will give still more tangible evidence of their success. With the benefit of a year's experience, we expect next year's series to entirely outdo the first.

The financial statement given below shows a net cost of $7,257.26. Only the *expense* of our advertising material can be shown in this report, but next year we hope also to realize returns both financially and in increased efficiency as a result of the large investment of free literature.

During the fiscal year just closed, we have issued 272,500 leaflets for free distribution alone, and 70,000 coin boxes; also 156,000 coin envelopes, not including the 100,000 envelopes prepared especially for use in the Sunday School campaign.

Financial Report for the Year Ended March 31, 1915.

Expenditures:

Literature purchased, including Study Books, Helps, etc. .	$ 3,279.24
Literature printed, including Annual Report, etc.	3,271.51
Office [illegible] and [illegible]	1,130.00
Any deficit [illegible]	65.00
Subscriptions to magazines	4.50
Postage, express and telegrams	1,404.09
Supplies and equipment	192.36
Miscellaneous expense of department	356.96
	$11,723.69

Receipts:

From sale of literature	$ 4,466.43
Net cost of literature	$ 7,257.26

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1915

Appropriations by Countries

Missions in Burma	$ 65,183.53
" " Assam	24,738.83
" " South India	49,954.73
" " China	60,846.86
" " Japan	41,761.52
" " Africa	4,310.00
" " Philippine Islands	19,227.44
" " France	640.00
Retired Missionaries	2,266.67
Total	$268,929.58
Less cancellations, 1911, 1912, 1913	9,556.60—$259,372.98

Appropriations for 1914-1915

A GENERAL AGENCIES AND WORK

(a) Foreign Field Appropriations

Field salaries of missionaries	$ 69,035.00
Salaries of missionaries on furlough	16,166.73
Refits for returning missionaries	1,000.00
Passages of missionaries to and from fields	13,585.89
Work of missionaries and native agencies	103,149.72
Care of mission property, rent, repairs, taxes	8,315.47
Work and workers in France	640.00
Retired missionaries	2,266.67
New missionaries (salaries, outfit, passages)	13,853.34
New buildings and land	36,014.01
Specifics for work not included in the Schedule	4,902.75
	$268,929.58
Less cancellations, 1911, 1912, 1913	9,556.60
	$259,372.98
Home for the Children of Missionaries (additional to board paid by parents for the children)	4,522.53
	$263,895.51

Home Expenditures

(a) *General Administration* expense of foreign, treasury and office departments, including salaries of officers and clerks, rent, postage, cablegrams, telephone, stationery, printing and office supplies, travel and medical examinations of candidates		$ 12,133.77
(b) *Cultivation of the field*, including salaries and travel of General and Field Secretaries, travel of officers, missionaries, and State Workers to conference and other meetings	8,302.46	
(c) *District expenses*, percentage retained	10,342.32	
(d) *Publication Department*, including salaries of Secretary, clerks and helpers, literature printed and purchased, postage, express, rent and office supplies	12,752.81	
Advanced to Publishing Department, Chicago	3,000.00	
(e) *Special Items*		
Annuity account (interest paid to annuitants)	2,142.21	
Department of Missionary Education	1,333.35	
Hasseltine House, current expenses	1,080.47	
"Helping Hand" deficit, to close account	2,193.80	
Legal expenses, consolidation of Woman's [illegible]	[illegible]	
"Missions"	1,070.25	
Northern Baptist Convention, share of expense for printing annuity literature	99.83	
Share of expense General Apportionment Committee	1,779.35	—$ 56,730.62
Total for general agencies and work		$320,626.13
Deficit 1913 [illegible]		[illegible]
		$343,084.37

Receipts

B

Legacies	$ 11,307.27
Income from funds	4,457.33
Income from endowment fund	504.06
Individual gifts	20,920.98
Pioneers	14,162.69
Sunday School Cooperating Committee	4,222.49

On apportionment:			
Mission bands, Sunday Schools			$209,355.71
Women's circles, young women, Farther Lights, Juniors,			
On unapportioned amount			21,333.62
Specifics			1,917.65
Specific gifts for building care Miss Prince			3,000.00
Sale of literature			2,257.40
Gifts for the Home for the Children of Missionaries			2,015.81
Transferred by the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West to the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society—			
Cash on hand April 1, 1914	$3,047.37		
District gifts on apportionment	$4,679.70		
District gifts from individuals	211.01—	4,890.71	
Interest		412.61—	8,350.69
By the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West to the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society on the 1914-1915 Schedule for Buildings—			
For dormitory, Osaka, Japan		3,500.00	
For woman's building, Kaying, China		2,500.00	
For outfits of new missionaries		300.00—	6,300.00
Transferred cash from Building Fund for new building at Sendai, Japan			2,197.01
General Missionary Society of German churches of North America			621.40
Cash from sale of Gauhati, Assam, property			4,300.00
Returned appropriation			301.44
Annuities released:			
Mrs. E. M. White, Norristown, Pa			1,000.00
Miss Ann Diven			50.00
Rent of ladies' residence, Hangchow, China			135.00
Various states and countries			226.81
All other sources			328.05
			$319,265.41
Gifts for the deficit 1913-14:			
From Circles and individuals	$ 6,450.21		
From American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in adjustment of debt account	16,024.34—	22,474.55	
Total for all purposes			$341,739.96
Total appropriations		$343,084.37	
Total receipts		341,739.96	
Deficit April 1, 1915		$ 1,344.41	

DONATIONS BY DISTRICTS 1914-15

	Apportionment.	Unapportioned.	Individuals.	Pioneers.	Specials.	Deficit, 1913-14.	Home for Children of Miss.	Total.
Atlantic District								
Pennsylvania	[illegible]	$1,765.00	$ 83.00	$1,730.00	$ 185.00	[illegible]	$ 45.40	$22,507.22
New Jersey	12,948.[illegible]	1,[illegible].[illegible]	1.00	[illegible]	180.00	[illegible]	[illegible]	17,144.[illegible]
Delaware	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	[illegible]		.....	.....	1,107.91
District of Columbia	2,[illegible].72	330.00	13.50	90.00		15.00	12.00	3,078.22
Miscellaneous	.....	[illegible]	.....	.....		.....	.....	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]	$3,770.73	$ 97.50	$3,981.78	[illegible]	$1,071.27	$ 194.04	$43,871.27
Central District								
Illinois	[illegible]	$ 989.19	$1,247.58	$ 980.00	[illegible]	$ 50.40	.....	[illegible]
Michigan	8,796.46	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.50		[illegible]
Missouri	3,102.24	[illegible]	.....	[illegible]	15.00			[illegible]
Miscellaneous	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	20.00
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	$ 120.00	[illegible]		[illegible]
Columbia River District								
Idaho	$ 281.30	$ 46.42	$ 25.00	$ 21.00				[illegible]
Montana	[illegible]	50.50	7.00	50.00				[illegible]
Oregon	1,[illegible]	315.03	141.54	452.00				[illegible]
Washington, East	[illegible]	117.00	45.50	68.00				[illegible]
Washington, West	1,813.53	478.50	33.00	235.00				[illegible]
Miscellaneous	.90	.....	.....	.....				.90
Total	$ [illegible]	$1,007.45	$ 252.04	$ 826.00		.....		$ 6,902.52

	Apportionment.	Unapportioned.	Individuals.	Pioneers.	Specifics.	Deficit, 1913-14.	Home for Children of Miss.	Total.
East Central District								
Indiana	$ 5,387.10	$ 84.88	$ 120.00	$ 130.00	.....	.....	.....	$ 5,721.98
Ohio	14,296.57	1,613.10	344.10	955.00	.....	.....	.....	17,208.77
West Virginia	3,399.30	10.00	17.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,426.80
Total	$23,082.97	$1,707.98	$ 481.60	$1,085.00	.....	.....	.....	$26,357.55
New England District								
Maine	$ 4,660.20	$ 293.42	$ 207.15	$ 57.10	$ 22.00	$ 265.85	$ 10.00	$ 5,515.72
New Hampshire	2,872.58	12.41	1,348.00	45.00	.....	185.36	115.49	4,578.84
Vermont	2,659.06	457.00	139.50	60.00	.....	63.85	.....	3,379.41
Massachusetts	24,217.24	121.86	1,556.21	887.17	675.00	1,689.80	492.56	29,639.84
Rhode Island	4,572.86	5.00	326.00	100.00	25.00	260.30	251.33	5,540.49
Connecticut	4,929.87	27.57	39.25	140.00	103.00	228.24	37.79	5,505.72
Miscellaneous	12.08	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.08
Total	$43,923.89	$ 917.26	$3,616.11	$1,289.27	$ 825.00	$2,693.40	$ 907.17	$54,172.10
New York District								
New York	$45,550.64	$9,807.46	$3,033.00	$3,190.20	$ 475.50	$1,988.59	$ 914.60	$64,959.99
Pacific Coast District								
Arizona	$ 335.65	$ 1.80	.....	$ 10.00	.....	.....	.....	$ 347.45
Nevada	82.85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82.85
California, North	1,865.79	27.31	$ 2.00	210.00	.....	$ 5.00	.....	2,110.10
California, South	4,203.82	343.34	105.00	780.00	$ 15.00	23.00	.....	5,470.16
Total	$ 6,488.11	$ 372.45	$ 107.00	$1,000.00	$ 15.00	$ 28.00	.....	$ 8,010.56

	Apportionment.	Unapportioned.	Individuals.	Pioneers.	Specifics.	Detroit, 1913-14.	Home for Children of Miss.	Total.
Northwestern District								
Minnesota	$ 5,839.08	$ 120.06	$1,060.00	$ 585.00	.....	....	..	$ 7,607.14
Wisconsin	3,733.22	80.27	490.52	460.00	$ 25.00			4,789.01
North Dakota	927.80	31.58	78.25	126.90	7.15	...	...	1,171.78
South Dakota	1,255.44	128.50	59.00	210.69	.....	$ 4.00	...	1,666.63
Miscellaneous	.....	43.38	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	43.38
Total	$11,755.54	$ 403.79	$1,670.77	$1,394.69	$ 32.15	$ 4.00	.....	$15,260.94
Rocky Mountain District								
Utah	$ 113.75	$ 10.50	$ 10.00	$ 10.00	.....	...	.....	$ 144.25
Wyoming	100.45	26.30	.....	10.00	.....	...	.....	136.75
Colorado	2,435.26	175.50	167.00	110.00	$ 40.00	...	.....	2,927.76
Total	$ 2,649.46	$ 212.30	$ 177.00	$ 130.00	$ 40.00	...	.....	$ 3,208.76
West Central District								
Iowa	$ 5,581.99	$ 208.89	$ 389.25	$ 410.75	$ 25.00	$ 11.07	.....	$ 6,626.84
Nebraska	2,684.88	20.26	218.24	205.00	.....	...	.....	128.38
Kansas	4,304.27	110.29	1,703.85	630.00	.....	3.60	.....	6,844.41
Oklahoma	.....	.....	23.80	.....	.....	...	.....	23.80
Total	$12,771.14	$ 339.44	$2,231.34	$1,245.75	$ 25.00	$ 14.67	.....	$16,624.63
Oklahoma	$ 1,163.06	.....	$ 1.00	.....	.....	...	.....	$ 1,163.06

HELPING HAND

For the year ending December 31, 1914.

Payments

Paper and printing		$3,666.95
Postage and mailing		1,547.77
		5,214.72
Receipts		2,947.01
Deficit January 1, 1915		$2,267.71
Withdrawn from Publication Account	$ 73.91	
Transferred from General Treasury	2,193.80	
		$2,267.71

Have examined above and find correct.

CHARLES H. CHANDLER, *Auditor.*

STATEMENT OF FUNDS 1914-15

Permanent Fund 1913-14			$49,425.98
Additions			
Jennie C. S. Smith Fund		500.00	
Eaton Fund		671.76	
White (Penn) Bible Woman Fund		25.00	
			$50,622.74
Annuity Fund 1913-14		$18,750.00	
White Annuity released	$1,000		
Diven Annuity released	50		
		1,050.00	
		$17,700.00	
Additions			
Cone Annuity		$ 1,000.00	
Cox Annuity		1,126.00	
Collingwood Annuity		750.00	
Davis Annuity		500.00	
Edson Annuity		200.00	
French Annuity		3,000.00	
Grady Annuity		200.00	
Lewis Annuity, additional		500.00	
Lytle Annuity		150.00	
Marshall Annuity		800.00	
Warren Annuity		1,000.00	
G. E. Wilkins Annuity		1,000.00	

[illegible]	$ 1,000.00	
[illegible]	4,000.00	
[illegible]	1,000.00	
		$34,926.00

Endowment Fund for

Home for the Children of Missionaries 1913-14. .$13,415.27

Additions

Buckbee Fund	$ 500.00	
		$13,915.27

Endowment Fund

Interest for Home Administration..... 300.00

Funds. Transferred by the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West to the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

Legacies:

Clark	$ 250.00	
Lansing	150.00	
[illegible]	4,000.80	
[illegible]	1,000.00	
Pillsbury	5,000.00	
Shephardson	1,585.00	
Fullerton	500.00	
Medical Endowment Fund	3,469.40	
Mary A. Hitt Memorial (Note)	880.00	
Harriet B. Hewitt	2,000.00	
		$18,834.40

Annuities:

Miss M. Hamilton	$ 400.00	
Mrs. L. Van Deman	1,000.00	
Miss Caroline Buechel	100.00	
Mrs. Mary Tyrell	500.00	
Chris Olsen	1,800.00	
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Richards	100.00	
Mrs. C. Sutherland and Mary Ham	300.00	
Mrs. Helen Pritz	5,000.00	
Mrs. L. C. Tobias	1,000.00	
		$10,200.00

Total	$29,034.40
Surplus Fund (a)	$ 1,120.60
Securities belonging to these funds transferred by the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West to the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society	$30,155.00

Additional Funds transferred by the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West to the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.		
Jubilee Building Fund	$ 8,299.36	
Less amount applied toward Sendai building, Japan	2,197.01	
	$ 6,102.35	
Medical Fund	$ 615.55	
Memorial Fund	39.60	
Surplus Fund (with interest) (b)	156.13	
	$ 6,913.63	
Jubilee Building Fund from Oklahoma	104.36	
		$ 7,017.99

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that I have examined the several accounts of the Treasurer of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society for the year ending April 1, 1915, and have verified the District Treasurers' reports of receipts and amounts retained for district expenses, finding same to agree with records in Treasurers' books, also find items of expenditure properly vouched, showing deficit as follows:

General Account Gain	$ 658.25
Home for the Children of Missionaries Deficit	2,002.66
Total deficit	$ 1,344.41

I also find in the hands of the Treasurer invested funds divided as follows:

Permanent Fund	$ 50,622.74
Annuity Fund	45,126.00
Legacy	18,834.40
Endowment for Home	13,915.27
Endowment for Home Administration	300.00
Surplus Fund (a)	1,120.60
Jubilee Building Fund	6,206.71
Medical Fund	615.55
Memorial Fund	39.60
Surplus Fund (b)	156.13
Special Fund	1,000.00
Mitchell Fund	3,000.00
	$140,937.00

Also properties belonging to the Society as per Treasurer's record and deeds for same, valued as follows:

Home for the Children of Missionaries	$ 18,477.34
Hamilton Home	[illegible]
	$ 35,177.92

CHARLES H. CHANDLER, *Auditor.*

Attest: [illegible], *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF HASSELTINE HOUSE

MRS. J. R. GODDARD

The Hasseltine House family has been large and varied during the past year.

Of the twenty candidates who have been in Hasseltine House during the year, four were in residence until sailing in November, one until deciding to remain in this country as a pastor's wife, and six until the close of Gordon Bible Institute in May, while the remaining nine, who came from a distance to meet the Board, spent from two days to six weeks in Hasseltine House.

Of our Missionaries on furlough there have been in residence at Hasseltine House, one from Burma, one from Assam, two from India and one from the Philippine Islands, and as visitors, ten from China, one from Japan, two from India, one from Burma, and one from the Philippine Islands, a total of twenty.

Hasseltine House has also had the advantage of having the Associate Foreign Secretary resident for the year. The General Field Secretary has spent a short time there and one of our State Secretaries has spent several weeks. Our honored President made one short visit—addressing a gathering in Hasseltine House of Farther Lights from neighboring churches.

The House has also been opened to a sale for the Judson Mission Band, to entertaining a Young Ladies' Mission Band from Salem, and the Farther Lights from Dudley Street, Boston.

Another pleasant feature of Hasseltine House has been to make a vacation home for our Missionaries' daughters, who were former residents of the home and are now in college, and it will accommodate the women in attendance upon the Summer School of Newton Theological Institution during June.

Six Chinese College girls spent part or all of their last Christmas holidays at Hasseltine House, and it is to be accessible to the Chinese Indemnity girl students during July and August.

THE HOME FOR CHILDREN OF MISSIONARIES

This Home at Newton Centre has been a home in reality to twenty-three children of all ages from kindergarten to high school. It is the only one of the Homes still remaining under the care of our woman's society. Each year brings changes, as the older ones go out to college or technical schools, and younger ones are added. In all the thirty since the Home was established there has never been a death among the children. Those who have graduated show a remarkable record in character and usefulness. Several have become missionaries. Mrs. West is the devoted mother and manager of the Home. Her plans for the children include a delightful summer in a camp at Waterloo, N. H., where ex-Senator Chandler has proven a most kind and generous friend. While the parents of the children meet the expense of board and clothing, the society provides the house and its furnishings. Twenty-three active children lead of necessity to frequent renewals and repairs. Many loving friends have been given to the Home which represents the supreme sacrifice of missions. It needs the interest and sympathy of all.

ANNUITIES AND LEGACIES

1. Remember the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in your will.

   Such a bequest insures that your money will go on blessing the needy and hastening the coming of Christ's Kingdom long after you are gone.

2. Take out an Annuity Bond now.

   This assures you

   An absolutely safe investment,

   Regular income,

   Higher rate of interest than is otherwise possible.

   It enables you to provide an income for one dependent upon you.

   It gives the work you love your money when you no longer need the income.

3. The rate of interest paid is determined by your age. If you are

Under 40—4%	46—5.6	53—6.3	60—7.	67—7.7	74—8.4
40—5.	47—5.7	54—6.4	61—7.1	68—7.8	75—8.5
41—5.1	48—5.8	55—6.5	62—7.2	69—7.9	76—8.6
42—5.2	49—5.9	56—6.6	63—7.3	70—8.	77—8.7
43—5.3	50—6.	57—6.7	64—7.4	71—8.1	78—8.8
44—5.4	51—6.1	58—6.8	65—7.5	72—8.2	79—8.9
45—5.5	52—6.2	59—6.9	66—7.6	73—8.3	80 and over 9%

Where two lives are involved, the rate of annuity shall be determined upon the average age with a deduction of .2 of 1%; e. g., two persons whose ages are seventy and sixty, the average age would be sixty-five; then with a deduction of .2 of 1% from the rate of annuity allowed to a person of sixty-five, the rate available for the two lives involved would be 7.3.

In determining the rate at which an annuity shall be paid, the age on the nearer birthday of the annuitant shall be taken. If one were to become sixty years of age on the 29th of June and he were to purchase an annuity bond on the 28th of December preceding, his age would be considered as fifty-nine. If, however, he purchases an annuity on the 1st day of January preceding, his age should be considered as sixty years.

FORM OF ANNUITY BOND

WHEREAS, ... in the County of .... and State of ..... has this day made a gift to the WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY, a Corporation established by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and located at Boston, in said Commonwealth, of the sum of ..... to be used, applied and disposed of by said corporation for its uses and purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, said Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in consideration of the premises, hereby promises and agrees to and with said ..... that upon her or his personal receipt or order therefor, signed at or immediately before the time of payment thereon by her or him or her or his authorized agent; said Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society will pay to her or him an annuity of ..... in two semi-annual payments of ..... during the term of her or his natural life; the first payment to be made.....

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the said Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society has caused the Corporate Seal to be hereunto affixed and these presents signed by the Treasurer, this ..... day of ..... A. D. ..

.....TREASURER

WITNESS:

.. ..

Boston, Mass.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee of the Board of Managers of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, held this day, it was

VOTED, that the above instrument be approved, and that ..... Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to sign, seal with Corporate Seal, and deliver the same as the act of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

A true copy of record. Witness:

Chairman.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE

PERSONAL ESTATE.—I give and bequeath to the WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY, incorporated in the State of Massachusetts, the sum of ..... to be appropriated and applied to the mission purposes of said Board.

I hereby direct my executor or executors to pay said sum to the treasurer of said Society, taking her receipt therefor, within..... months after my decease.

REAL ESTATE.—I give and devise to the WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY, incorporated in the State of Massachusetts, all that certain (here insert a short description of the house, lot, ground-rent or other real estate), with the appurtenances, in fee-simple, to be appropriated and applied, with full power of sale or mortgage, to the mission purposes of said Board.

BY-LAWS

of the

WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

ARTICLE I

Object

The object of this Society shall be the elevation and Christianization of women and children in foreign lands.

This object it shall seek to accomplish by engaging the earnest, systematic coöperation of the women of our Baptist churches in sending out and supporting women missionaries to do evangelistic, educational and medical work on the foreign fields, in developing and employing native Christian teachers and Bible women, physicians and nurses, and in erecting such buildings as may be deemed necessary for the prosecution of the work.

ARTICLE II

Membership

All women members in our Baptist churches of the North, and all women contributing to this Society shall be considered members of this organization.

The voting membership shall be composed as follows:

(a) All life members of the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West.

(b) All missionaries of the Society during their term of service.

(c) Annual members based upon the number of women members in the Baptist churches in the Districts, the delegates to be appointed by the women of the churches of the Districts, and their credentials approved by the District Organizations.

(d) All accredited delegates to each annual meeting of the Northern Baptist Convention shall be annual members.

ARTICLE III

Organization

The organization of this Society shall consist of Officers, a Board of Managers, and of coördinate District Organizations, constituted and limited as laid down and limited in subsequent articles. State and local organizations shall be auxiliary to such District Organizations.

ARTICLE IV

Officers

Section 1. The Officers of this Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Secretary of the Foreign Department, a Secretary of the Home Administration Department, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may from time to time be deemed necessary by the Society or the Board of Managers, all except the President, Vice-Presidents and Recording Secretary being nominated to the Society by the Board of Managers.

The Officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society, and shall serve from the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected until the close of the next annual meeting, or until their successors are elected.

Sec. 2. The President shall be the General Executive Officer; shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and, with the Treasurer, shall sign all documents relating to the transfer of real estate and other legal papers not otherwise provided for. In case of her absence or inability to serve, her duties shall be performed by the Vice-President selected by the Board of Managers.

Sec. 3. One Vice-President shall be the head of the Foreign Department, and one the head of the Home Administration Department.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Foreign Department, under the direction of the Vice-President at the head of the Foreign Department, to conduct the foreign correspondence of the Society, and to discharge such other duties as may be defined by the Board of Managers.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Home Administration Department, under the direction of the Vice-President at the head of that Department, to conduct such business of the Society as relates to the administration of said Department, and to discharge such other duties as may be defined by the Board of Managers.

Sec. 6. The Recording Secretary shall perform the usual duties of her office.

Sec. 7. The Treasurer shall give such bond as the Board of Managers shall from time to time approve for the faithful performance of the duties of the office, which bond shall be deposited with the Recording Secretary of the Society.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive, acknowledge, preserve—by investment or otherwise—and pay out, the funds of the Society according to the direction of the Board of Managers.

The accounts of the Treasurer shall be audited at least once a year, and also at such other times as the Board of Managers shall determine.

Sec. 8. The Treasurer, the Secretaries, and such Officers as the Board of Managers may appoint, shall be subject to the direction of the Board, and shall discharge such duties as may be defined by its regulations and rules of order.

ARTICLE V

Board of Managers

Section 1. The Board of Managers shall consist of 27 members. Each District shall have on the Board of Managers two representatives, namely, its Foreign Vice-President and its Home Administration Vice-President.

If any member of the Board of Managers is unable to attend a meeting of the Board, the District represented by this member shall have the privilege of electing an alternate to sit in an advisory capacity with the Board. The Presidents and Treasurers of the District Organizations shall be invited to sit with the Board at its meetings in an advisory capacity.

The remaining members of the Board of Managers shall be nominated by the Board of Managers and elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society.

The Board of Managers shall meet annually or semi-annually as the Board itself may determine, and fifteen shall constitute a quorum.

The President, Vice-Presidents and Recording Secretary of the Society shall be members of the Board of Managers.

Sec. 2. The Board of Managers shall meet to organize as soon as practicable after the annual meeting of the Society.

Sec. 3. The Board of Managers shall have the management of the affairs of the Society; shall have the power to elect its own Chairman, Clerk, and additional Officers, and appoint such committees as may seem proper, and to define the powers and duties of each; to appoint its own meetings, to adopt such regulations and rules as may seem proper, including those for the control and disposition of the real and personal property of the Society, the sale, leasing, or mortgaging thereof, provided they are not inconsistent with its Charter or By-Laws; to fill all vacancies in the Board of Managers and in any office of the Society until the next meeting of the Society; to establish such agencies, and to recommend the appointment and removal of such agents and missionaries as may seem proper, by a three-fifths vote of all members present and voting at the meeting when such votes are taken; to fix the compensation of officers, agents and missionaries; to direct and instruct them concerning their respective duties; to make appropriations of money, and at the annual meeting of the Society to present a printed or written full and detailed report of the proceedings of the Society and of its work during the year.

Sec. 4. The Board of Managers shall appoint a Department of Publication, consisting of an Editor, a Publisher and a Publication Committee.

Sec. 5. The Board of Managers shall appoint from its members a Finance Committee, which, under the direction of the Board of Managers, shall have charge, with the Treasurer, of the disposition of real and personal property of the Society, including the sale, leasing, and mortgaging of same, and generally exercise supervision over all the financial affairs of the Society.

Sec. 6. The board of Managers shall appoint four of its own members,

who, with the President and the two Vice-Presidents, shall constitute an Executive Committee, which shall have charge of and transact all business requiring immediate attention in the interim of meetings of the Board of Managers. Said committee shall at all times be under the control of the Board and shall abide by such rules and regulations as said Board may from time to time establish.

Said Committee shall keep an accurate record of all its votes and proceedings and submit the same for the approval of the Board of Managers as often as the latter shall meet.

ARTICLE VI

District Organizations

Section 1. The territory of the Society shall be divided into ten Districts, as follows:

PACIFIC COAST DISTRICT—North California, South California, Arizona, Nevada.

COLUMBIA RIVER DISTRICT—Oregon, East Washington, West Washington, Idaho, Montana.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT—Colorado, Utah, Wyoming.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT—Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT—North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin.

CENTRAL DISTRICT—Michigan, Illinois, Missouri.

EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT—Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia.

ATLANTIC DISTRICT—Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, District of Columbia.

NEW YORK DISTRICT—East New York, West New York.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island.

District Functions

Sec. 2. The functions of the District Organization, under the Board of Managers shall be

(a) To develop its own territory.

(b) To assume responsibility for a definite share of the work upon the foreign field.

(c) To contribute a percentage of the Society's total administration expense, such percentage to be based upon the income of the District.

Membership

Sec. 3. Membership in a Baptist church in the District shall constitute a woman a member of the District Organization of the territory in which she resides.

The voting membership in the meetings of the District Organization shall be based upon the number of women in the churches of the District,

each delegate to be appointed by the Woman's Missionary Organization in the church where such exists, and where such organization does not exist, by the women of the church. Each church may appoint one delegate and one additional delegate for each ten women members of the church, no church being permitted more than fifteen delegates.

Officers and Duties

Sec. 4. The Officers of each District Organization shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other Officers as shall be deemed necessary for the proper conduct of the District work.

They shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the District, and shall serve from the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected until the close of the next annual meeting, or until their successors are elected.

The President shall be the General Executive Officer. She shall preside at all meetings of the District. In case of her absence or inability to serve, the duties shall be performed by the Vice-President chosen by the Executive Board.

One Vice-President shall have special supervision of the work on the Foreign Field supported by the District, and the other Vice-President shall have special supervision of the work of developing the home territory of the District.

The Recording Secretary shall perform the usual duties of her office.

The Treasurer of the District shall receive, acknowledge and at least once a month forward to the Treasurer of the Society, funds contributed from the District for the work of the Society. She shall keep an accurate and detailed account of such contributions and shall note whether the circles of the District are sending in their full proportion of the Society's entire budget.

She shall give such bond for the faithful performance of her duties as the Executive Board of the District may direct. Such bond shall be filed with the Recording Secretary of the District.

The accounts of the Treasurer shall be audited once in three months, and a report shall be furnished the Executive Board and also entered upon its records. A certificate shall be furnished annually.

Executive Board

Sec. 5. There shall be in each District an Executive Board, consisting of the District President, Vice-Presidents and all unsalaried Officers of the District, and in addition twenty-one members, who shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the District Organization. Of the twenty-one first elected, seven shall serve for three years, seven for two years, and seven for one year; and thereafter, there shall be elected annually seven to serve for three years.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to devise and use means for diffusing missionary intelligence among the women of the churches in order to awaken a deeper interest in the special work of the Society, and to secure funds for the accomplishment of that part of the work assumed by the District; also to seek out and recommend to the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society suitable women to serve as missionaries, the power of appointment to rest with the Society.

The Executive Board shall meet regularly, and nine members shall constitute a quorum.

At the first meeting following the annual meeting of the District, the Board shall organize by electing a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, and a Clerk.

It shall appoint from its members a Publication Committee, which shall work under the direction of the Publication Department, a Finance Committee, and such other standing committees as are necessary for the proper conduct of its work.

Annual and Other Meetings

Sec. 6. The District Organization shall meet annually at such time and place as the Executive Board of the District may decide. This meeting shall precede the annual meeting of the Society.

By-Laws for District Organizations

Sec. 7. The Districts shall be empowered to make such By-Laws for the government of their organizations as may seem necessary, provided they conform to the policy of the Society.

ARTICLE VII

Annual and Other Meetings

Section 1. The Society shall meet annually at such time and place as the Board of Managers may appoint, to elect Officers, to hear the annual reports and to transact the proper business of the Society.

Sec. 2. When one-tenth of the delegates present request that a vote on any motion be taken by Districts, such a vote shall be ordered and the question determined thereby. The vote of each District shall be determined by the majority of its delegates present and voting. Each District shall have at least one vote, and one additional vote for each additional ten thousand women members of the churches in the District, or major fraction thereof. When figures are lacking, the proportion of women to the membership of the churches shall be estimated at sixty-two and one-half per cent.

ARTICLE VIII

The By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting at any annual meeting of the Society, provided written notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given at the preceding annual meeting of the Society, or such amendment shall be recommended by the Board of Managers.

Appendix F

American Baptist Publication Society

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American Baptist Publication Society

NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

THE past year has been one of considerable anxiety on account of the business depression which has prevailed throughout the year in all parts of the land. We have, however, not suffered this anxiety to curtail to any extent our efforts in all departments of our work. In the Publishing Department we have issued about the same number of books, pamphlets, tracts, and periodicals as in former years. Indeed, as will be seen in that portion of this report devoted to periodicals, we have made a gratifying advance in the number of periodicals issued. The Missionary Department has extended rather than decreased its work. The activities of the Educational and Social Service departments have been greater than in any previous year. Prevailing business conditions have not been allowed to stand in the way of manifest duty. While we have striven to be prudent, we have also recognized the needs of the hour, and have done our utmost to meet them.

GREETING TO THE PACIFIC COAST

IN coming the third time to the Pacific Coast, we beg as its official representatives to extend the greetings and best wishes of the Publication Society to our brethren of California and adjoining States and to assure them of the Society's readiness to serve them in any and every way within its function and ability. The Publication Society was among the earliest to respond to calls from the Pacific Coast territory. In 1848 it sent to California the first Sunday-school library ever received in that State. In 1849 it began colporter work in Oregon. From that time until the present it has endeavored to do its utmost with colporters, Sunday-school missionaries, Directors of Sunday-school and Young People's Work, and chapel cars, to assist Pacific Coast Baptists to preempt, occupy, and hold their goodly land for Christ.

Rev. J. C. Baker, in his "Baptist History of the Northern Pacific Coast," says:

> The present writer can hardly be charged with bias in favor of the Publication Society, as he represented the Home Mission Society officially as Superintendent of Missions throughout a period of nearly five years, but he is impressed with the fact that the position of the Publication Society in laying the foundation of the remarkable developments that have marked and are now marking our denominational life should be known and recognized.

Mr. Baker then goes on to tell how the Publication Society began its work on the Pacific Coast in 1849, and how this work has been continued and enlarged. After giving sketches of the life and labors of a number of colporters and Sunday-school missionaries, including Messrs. Abbott, Wheeler, James, Stearns, McMichael, and others, he adds:

> The results of such work as these men wrought cannot be tabulated. The Master alone knows. But future generations will highly appreciate their efforts and gladly accord to the American Baptist Publication Society the important place it occupied in making possible the laying of foundations upon which biblical and Christian structures are being and will be reared until the Master calls us up higher.

Since these words were written the Society has continued its activity. Recently it has put three gospel cruisers at work on territory which could not otherwise have been reached, namely, at Coos Bay, Ore.; The Netherlands, in California; and Puget Sound, in Washington. More recently, through the generosity of a noble California family, it has been enabled to build and put into the field a steel chapel car for use in States whose laws forbid the use of wooden cars. Still more recently, for the better accommodation of California and adjoining States, the Society has opened a Depository in the city of Los Angeles, which, we trust, will be of great service in the dissemination and maintenance of Baptist views of truth. For several years we have been assisting the denominational paper of the Pacific Coast by making it the agent for our books and Sunday-school literature. It is doubtful whether without such assistance the paper could have been sustained, even with the great personal sacrifice its noble editor has been so ready to make. In a word, we have sought in every way to cooperate with our Pacific Coast brethren and to extend

to them all possible help in the solving of the difficult problems set before them. We are expending larger amounts and supplying more workers in the Pacific Coast States than in any other part of the land. The results, which have been and are now being secured by these workers, we believe, are second to none in importance and value. As in the past, so for the future, we pledge Pacific Coast Baptists our utmost sympathy and help.

TWO DECADES

ON February 1, 1915, the present General Secretary completed twenty years of service with the Society. Your Board felt it wise to celebrate the event by a reception, held at headquarters, 1701-1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa. The occasion was one worth remembering. Representatives of other national organizations were present, and made addresses. As a token of confidence and esteem a splendid hall-clock was presented the General Secretary. Many letters of congratulation from leading Baptists throughout the country were received and read. The General Secretary desires in connection with this mention of the reception to express his own profound gratitude and appreciation. The service he has rendered has been to him a labor of love. At all times he has been cheered and sustained by the kindness and cooperation of the Board and of the Society at large. Especially has he been encouraged by the progress witnessed during the two decades of his connection with the Society. The Secretary has embodied something of the work done and of the advances made during the two decades in an historical statement to be read during the present meeting of the Society, and begs the privilege of appending this to the annual report.

THE BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION OF AMERICA, THE COMMISSION ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK, AND THE AMERICAN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY

IN the year 1908 the Publication Society purchased from the Baptist Young People's Union of America for the sum of $20,000 the business interests of that organization. In the following year, in accordance with a recommendation made by representatives of all the denominational bodies connected with the Baptist Forward Movement for Missionary Education, the

Publication Society accepted from the Baptist Young People's Union of America the transfer of its educational and organizing work, and created a Young People's Department not only to carry on the work hitherto done by the Baptist Young People's Union of America, but to enlarge this work so as to include all Baptist young people. The Northern Baptist Convention having appointed a Commission on Young People's Work in 1911, some confusion has resulted as to the relation of these various bodies. In order that a better understanding might be reached, a conference, called by the Baptist Young People's Union of America, was held in Cleveland, Ohio, January 28, 1915. This conference was attended by representatives of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, the Commission on Young People's Work, the American Baptist Publication Society, and unofficially by a representative of the Baptist Young People's Union of the Southern Baptist Convention. After thorough discussion of all matters involved, the two following resolutions were passed:

First, *Resolved,* That this Conference registers its opinion that the Young People's Conventions in Canada, representing the section in Canada; the American Baptist Publication Society and the Commission on Young People's Work of the Northern Baptist Convention, representing the territory of the Northern Baptist Convention; and the Baptist Young People's Union, South, and the Sunday-school Board, representing the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, in the exercise of their perfect autonomy, are entirely responsible for the conduct of work for Baptist young people in their respective sections.

Second, *Resolved,* That in the sense of this Conference the Baptist Young People's Union of America is a general organization for the young people of Canada and the United States, to hold international conventions for Baptist young people, and to offer its services to perform such other functions as pertain to interests common to the three sections—the North, the South, and Canada.

This action removes all confusion, and defines clearly the functions and limits of the various organizations in interest. In the territory of the Northern Baptist Convention the Young People's Department of the Publication Society, in connection with the Northern Baptist Convention's Commission on Young People's Work, has full and complete charge of the organizing and educational work amongst Baptist young people, it being understood that the Baptist Young People's Union of America shall be a

general organization for the United States and Canada for the purpose of holding international conventions, and to perform such other functions as pertain to interests common to the United States and Canada. The Young People's Department of the Publication Society will, of course, cooperate in every possible way with the Baptist Young People's Union of America and the Convention's Commission on Young People's Work. The imprint of the Commission will be combined with that of the Publication Society on all literature designed for use among young people, and the advice and assistance of the Commission will be sought. It will also aid the Baptist Young People's Union of America in holding international conventions, and in carrying forward any action taken at such conventions deemed advisable for the betterment of young people's work. At the same time, it will widen the sphere of its operations so as to include Baptist young people, no matter what their affiliations with other organizations may have been or now are.

ANOTHER DONATION TO THE CHINA BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY

DURING the past year we have responded to an urgent call from the China Baptist Publication Society indorsed by the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, for aid in stocking a bookstore in Canton, China, with a donation from our own stock, amounting to $1,000. This donation, we trust, will enable our brethren in China to make a worthy beginning of a new phase of their publication work, attractive as well to English-speaking residents of China as to the Chinese people themselves. This donation, added to those previously made, including the $500 we pay annually for the employment of ten Chinese colporters, makes a total of $8,000 thus far given by our Society to the China Baptist Publication Society.

COOPERATIVE RELATIONS

THE Society sustains coperative relations with several interdenominational as well as denominational bodies and movements. It especially values its relations with the Sunday-school Council of the Evangelical Churches. This organization held its fifth annual meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, in January last. The Council,

composed as it is of thirty or more of the principal denominational publishing houses and Sunday-school Mission Boards or Societies of the United States and Canada, has already exercised a large influence in the direction and uplift of Sunday-school work. During the past year it has effected an important change in the construction of the Lesson Committee, the Committee which for many years has suggested the lesson topics and the Scripture texts for both the Uniform and Graded Series of Sunday-school lessons. During all these years this Committee has been appointed and maintained solely by the International Sunday-school Association. While the Committee represented the denominations in a general way, it was felt by many that it was not sufficiently under denominational control. It was, therefore, proposed by the Council that the Lesson Committee should consist of eight members appointed by the International Association, eight members appointed by the Sunday-school Council, and one additional member appointed by each denomination having a Lesson Committee. This proposition was accepted by the International Association, and the Committee now consists of thirty or more members, each of the larger denominations being fully represented. Such enlargement of the Committee will, it is believed, enable it to do work which will not only be satisfactory in its general outlines, but will also make provision for the teaching of denominational truths. The Committee will be more directly responsible to the denominations, and the denominations themselves be more interested to see that the courses of study offered Sunday-schools shall cover all phases of Scripture teaching and life. The representatives of Northern Baptists upon the newly constituted Lesson Committee are Dr. Ira M. Price, Dr. Geo. T. Webb, and Rev. W. E. Chalmers.

Besides the special matter of the Lesson Committee, the Sunday-school Council is also engaged in promoting the educational and missionary features of Sunday-school work. Excellent standards have been adopted, and plans have been laid looking toward making the Sunday-school more fully the educational as well as the evangelistic arm of the church. We feel it an inspiration to be associated with an organization with aims so high, and with leaders so sensitive to the demands of the age.

In addition to the Sunday-school Council, we cooperate with

the Home Mission Council, a body comprising a considerable number of the larger denominations. It is our desire to do whatever we can to promote the general missionary work of the country, provided no Baptist convictions are involved.

We are also in active cooperation with a number of commissions and movements in our own denomination. We share with the other national Societies in the conduct and support of the Department of Missionary Education, the Free Baptist Joint Secretaryship, the United Missionary Campaign, the publication of *Missions*, and the Apportionment Committee. We also share in the expenses of the Northern Baptist Convention. In the New England District we join in the support of a single collecting agency, and in several States we unite with the State Board and the other national Societies in the employment of a State collecting agent or secretary. In conformity with the action of the Society last year, however, we believe we should await a redistributing of the entire country, and a further trial of the experiment of joint secretaryships and single collecting agencies before committing ourselves absolutely to the changes that are thus proposed.

ANNUITIES

FOR several years we have been acting under an agreement with the other national Societies in the matter of annuities. During the past year, at the solicitation of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, we have consented to a generous increase upon the rates which have heretofore been given annuitants. This new arrangement goes into effect April 1, 1915. The increase in rates will, it is hoped, induce many more of the members of our churches who desire to be assured of a satisfactory and certain income while they live, and at their death to leave something to carry on the Lord's work, to avail themselves of the annuity plan. Further and fuller statements with regard to annuities will be found in the report of the Missionary Department.

IN MEMORIAM

DURING the past year death has removed one member of our Board, Mr. Robert Hall Crozer, who entered upon rest and reward October 9, 1914. Mr. Crozer was especially useful as a member of the Executive Committee, but was also deeply interested in

the missionary operations of the Society. In token of his interest he bequeathed the sum of $60,000 to the Society's Missionary Department; $50,000 of which he ordered to be added to the permanent funds, and $10,000 to be devoted to current work. Mr. Crozer was a good man, a worthy son of John P. Crozer, one of the early and generous benefactors of the Society. He was devoted to his Lord and Master. His works do follow him.

Special mention should also be made in this connection of the death of Poindexter S. Henson, D. D., who departed this life after a long and brilliant career April 24, 1914. During the twenty years of his pastorates in Philadelphia Doctor Henson was an active member of our Board, and continued to maintain a constant and vital interest in the varied work of the Society until his death. For forty years he was a contributor to *The Baptist Teacher*, and much of the success of that periodical was due to his keen and facile pen. We mourn him as a brother beloved, and rejoice to have so long had the privilege of associating with him in sympathy and effort. Few lives, we believe, have had so wide and permanent an influence for good, and few men have attained the place Doctor Henson occupied in the hearts and homes of our Baptist people throughout the land.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR

THE receipts from sales in the Publishing Department for the year ending March 31, 1915, are $737,569.98. Merchandise, $319,373.75. Periodicals, $418,196.23. Last year the receipts were $763,381.95. Merchandise, $348,946.67. Periodicals, $414,435.28. This shows a decrease of $25,811.97. This decrease, as will be seen, is in the sale of books and other merchandise. The sale of periodicals shows an advance. The decrease in the sale of books and merchandise is due to the business depression extending through the year; a depression which has disastrously affected the book trade everywhere. Our rate of decrease, however, we are assured by many business men, is small as compared with that suffered in the business world at large.

In the Missionary Department the receipts from churches, individuals, income from invested funds, bequests, special gifts, etc., are $232,836.78. Last year they were $212,425.26, showing an increase of $20,411.52. The amount received from churches

and individuals as provided for under the Budget is $128,836.11, showing an increase of $11,931.42.

For Bible Work we received from all sources $8,736.14. Of this, $5,383.88 was income from invested funds, and $3,352.26 was secured from churches, Sunday-schools, and other sources.

The entire amount coming into the Missionary and Bible Department, counting the transfer of $45,139.51 from the profits of the Publishing Department, is $241,572.92. In addition to this, we have received permanent and annuity funds amounting to $127,559.52. The total amount received from all sources during the year is $1,152,248.83, an increase over last year of $90,424.41.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

BOOKS

AS a fitting literary monument of Baptist missionary initiative and achievement, "The Judson Centennial" ranks perhaps first in importance for our denomination among the books of the year. Those fortunate enough to become possessors of one of the thousand copies issued may count themselves among heirs of privilege, for no plates were made and another edition may not be had. Equally gratifying as specimens of bookmaking are "The New Baptist Praise Book" and "The People's Prayers." In the preparation of the "Praise Book" the Society entered into a business arrangement with the A. S. Barnes Company, maintaining an editorial supervision and becoming responsible for the binding of the printed sheets furnished by the other party to the arrangement, with the result that in contents and in mechanical form the volume is eminently usable.

With the issuance of Doctor Betteridge's work on Deuteronomy, the American Commentary on the Pentateuch is now complete. Progress on the Old Testament section of the commentary continues; Dr. D. M. Welton's work on Judges is now in the hands of the compositor.

Description of the publications of the year is given in detail. This description does not include reprints, of which many have been made. It will be of interest for Baptist people to know that we have thus far issued five hundred thousand copies of the music edition and three hundred and eighty thousand copies of the word edition of the "Baptist Hymnal." New and large editions of many other books have also been published.

STANDARD BOOKS

The Great Misnomer. By Tiberius Gracchus Jones, D. D., formerly president of Richmond College. 12mo, 186 pages. Published for the estate of the author.

From the literary effects of Doctor Jones this work was selected for publication by his executors that it might be distributed among libraries and elsewhere. Marshaling Scripture and history, the author aimed to show that the Lord's Supper is in nature the commemoration of the Lord's suffering and death for his people, and that the idea of the mutual communion of believers, emphasized in the common name for the rite, is a mischievous and hurtful importation. Scholarly, logical, and courteous, Doctor Jones produced chapters on the nature and the law of the Supper, the perversion and the conservation of its original design, that prove interesting reading in the light of present tendencies.

The Church a Field of Service. By Rev. Charles Herbert Rust, Minister, Second Baptist Church, Rochester, N. Y. 16mo, 145 pages. Price, 50 cents net.

The study-book for young people's societies for the year 1914-1915. Its purpose is to place before the young people the wide range of opportunities for Christian service which the modern church offers. In these brief, pithy chapters Doctor Rust opens up to view the fields of personal religion, education, the boy and the girl, the congregational gatherings, the community, the frontier, finance, the world family, music, fellowship and frolic, and denominational activities. Prepared for young persons, the book is of value to older church-members as a revelation of the possibilities of personal usefulness.

After standing with seeing eyes upon the mount of vision to which these chapters lead, no Christian, young or older, will be able to turn away, excusing inactivity with the complaint: "The church offers no place for the employment of my gifts, no door to a field of exercise that I may grow to my noblest."

Transplanted Truths, or Expositions of Great Texts in Ephesians. By Alvah Sabin Hobart, D. D., Professor of New Testament Interpretation in Crozer Theological Seminary. 16mo, viii and 183 pages. Price, 75 cents net.

The author of "Tillage of the Heart" and "Seed Thoughts for Right Living" is eminently simple and practical in his work. This new volume is in helpful manner. It is not a commentary, but a series of expository addresses on some of the outstanding portions of Paul's work, so related that the epistle, as a whole, is reviewed in passing over them. It is an aid to understanding Ephesians, and a study in method of which many who would like to teach or to preach may well avail themselves.

World Stories Retold for Modern Boys and Girls. By William James Sly, Ph. D., Director of Sunday-school and Young People's Work and Teacher of Sunday-school Pedagogy in Colorado Woman's College. 12mo, xvi and 298 pages. Illustrated. Price, $1.00 net.

Nearly two hundred—to be exact, one hundred and eighty-seven—of the best stories which story-tellers like to repeat and children delight to hear over and over again, have been assembled in groups according to their nature, and are brought together in Mr. Sly's volume. Fables which were old when Greece was young, and the life-stories of men and women whose names are on the rolls of our modern workshops of science and industry, art literature and religion, Bible stories, fairy tales, and word-pictures of heroism in peace and in war, have place in this collection. Mr. Sly has done more than collect the stories, he has retold them in his own words. An introductory section on the art of story-telling and two indexes, one of which details the ethical suggestiveness of each story, increase the usefulness of the book for the parent, the preacher, the teacher, for any one who hears the plea of a child, "Tell me a story."

BIBLICAL

An American Commentary on the Old Testament. The Book of Deuteronomy. By Walter R. Betteridge, D. D., Professor in the Department of the Old Testament in Rochester Theological Seminary. Octavo, 130 pages.

Doctor Betteridge's method of approach is that of the scholar and the critic. He has a fine sense of appreciation of Deuteronomy as a piece of literature and a book of religion. His ability in dealing with the original text appears to a marked degree in the new translation he has furnished for the song and the blessing of Moses. This work completes the commentary on the Pentateuch.

MISSIONARY

The Judson Centennial. Edited by Howard B. Grose, Editor of *Missions,* and Fred P. Haggard, Home Secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Octavo, 305 pages. Illustrated. Price, $1.00 net.

This memorial volume of the centennial of the missionary movements inaugurated by Adoniram Judson contains a historical review of one hundred years of Baptist missions, a full account of the anniversary meetings of the Northern Baptist Convention and of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, in Boston, June 24 and 26, 1914, the addresses delivered on the occasion, including two from sons of the famous missionary, and many valuable sidelights of fact conveyed in text and picture. Of the limited edition of one thousand copies, the larger portion was at once sent out to fill advance orders. Possessors of this volume may congratulate themselves that they hold a document of permanent interest and value which cannot be replaced.

BIOGRAPHICAL

Mary Webb and the Mother Society. By Albert L. Vail, D. D. 16mo, 110 pages. Price, 50 cents net.

A monograph on the life-work and character of one eminently useful in the first half-century of woman's organized missionary and philanthropic work in our country, this little book shows the thoroughness of investigation and the simplicity of style that mark all of Doctor Vail's work. A cripple in a wheel-chair, unmoving except as the kindly hands of others gave help, but dynamic of mind and heart to rouse her fellows and keep them energized in missionary and benevolent enterprises—such was Mary Webb. Doctor Vail is to be congratulated on giving literary form to this brave human word of yesterday that it may speak its quickening message to the possible nobleness of to-day.

Uncle John Vassar, or The Fight of Faith. By Thomas E. Vassar, D. D. 12mo, 258 pages. Illustrated. Price, 50 cents net.

The plates of this well-known life-story have come into the possession of the Society so that the book is now republished, bearing our imprint. New plates were prepared for the pictures.

Life and Influence of the Rev. Benjamin Randall, Founder of the Free Baptist Denomination. By Frederick L. Wiley, D. D. 12mo, 310 pages. Illustrated. Price, $1.00 net.

Published at the request of Free Baptists as a monument to their founder, this volume will prove of general interest. To a simple, straightforward narrative of the life-story of Mr. Randall is added some account of the development of the denomination and statement of the contribution it has made in Christian work of evangelism and education at home and abroad. A sturdy spirit, separated from others because of his convictions, Mr. Randall seems to have been evangelical rather than controversial in mind and method, a protagonist in missionary endeavor much more than a leader in sectarian antagonism. This volume is as much a contribution to the history of home mission work in New England in the early years of our nation as it is an appreciation of the founder of the Free Baptists.

FICTION

The Comrade of Navarre. A Tale of the Huguenots. By Harriet Malone Hobson. 12mo, 280 pages. Colored frontispiece. Price, $1.25 net.

Written in the interest of universal peace while as yet our modern nations were only preparing for war, this book with a purpose, but remarkably free from preachment, is a timely contribution to the lists of

fiction. The scenes are of the period of the French Reformation, when religion, politics, greed, and ambition mingled motives that made possible the massacre of Saint Bartholomew and the battles in which the white plume of Navarre was a rallying-center. There is a love-story in it, but it is secondary to the story of the love between the hero and King Henry. The book is full of action, which proceeds with utmost naturalness, entertaining, interesting, but bringing the reader surely to feel the tremendous weight of the problems of righteousness and peace.

Carl Hall of Tait. By Everett T. Tomlinson. 12mo, 282 pages. Illustrated. Price, $1.25 net.

One of Doctor Tomlinson's books for young people. Carl, captain of the prep school eleven, "fit" himself, had a poor team; but the fellows, sore at losing a game, listened to his two-faced rival rather than to reason, and Carl's last year was a campaign against harder things than books and studies. The school lost the series in football, but Carl and some of his companions made a great score in a bigger game—even the would-be orator Perk learned that a fellow must have something besides poverty in order to qualify as a successor to Daniel Webster.

SOCIAL SERVICE SERIES

The Social Problem. By Samuel Zane Batten, D. D. 12mo, 44 pages. Price, 15 cents net.

The Church in the City. By Leighton Williams, D. D. 12mo, 30 pages. Price, 10 cents net.

Women in American Industry. By Scott Nearing, Ph. D. 12mo, 18 pages. Price, 10 cents net.

The Church as a Social Center. By Christian F. Reisner, D. D. 12mo, 26 pages. Price, 10 cents net.

To-day's great difficulty is the social problem. And what is that? Definition is not easy, for the time is baffling in complexity. In a pamphlet intended as an introduction to the Society's Social Service Series, Doctor Batten makes a helpful contribution toward defining, pointing out the causes and conditions that have made the question press so urgently upon the American world in the opening of the twentieth century. He pictures the features of the new social conscience which shrinks not from the burden of the giant task. While not attempting construction of a final program, he enumerates signs which show the direction of the tide of progress.

Doctor Williams shows the need of a socialized church in that maelstrom of hard questions—the modern city. Doctor Reisner gives many practical suggestions and illustrations of the use of the church as a social center in town and country. Professor Nearing tells why women

are in modern industry, from what classes the workers are drawn, and what are their occupations.

SOCIAL SERVICE TRACTS

The Gospel Team. By W. C. Coleman, Wichita, Kans. 18mo, 16 pages.

A sketch of methods and results of team-work in evangelism by laymen in the middle West, especially the work of the so-called Gospel Team with its revelation of possibilities in the increase of church efficiency.

Burn Your Bridges. By Samuel Zane Batten, D. D. 18mo, 6 pages.

One thousand and eight inmates of the Eastern Penitentiary in Philadelphia sent a petition to the Pennsylvania Legislature asking favorable consideration of any message designed to curtail the sale of intoxicating liquors or to secure prohibition. Doctor Batten tells the interesting story of the origin of the petition, and gives the text of it, together with some letters from the convicts.

Alcohol and Longevity. By Prof. Harald Westergaard, of the University of Copenhagen. Reprinted, by permission of the Fleming H. Revell Company, from "Anti-Alcohol Movement in Europe." 18mo, 4 pages.

A discussion based on scientific consideration of the official death-lists of the market towns of Denmark, directed to show the relation between intemperance and mortality; alcoholism decreases longevity; removal of alcoholism would add to the average length of life and greatly increase the people's productive power.

These three documents are published for free distribution by the Department of Social Service.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Convention Annual for 1914. Octavo, 915 pages. Price, in paper covers, 50 cents, postage extra; in cloth, 75 cents, postage extra; interleaved, cloth, $1.00, postage extra.

The Judson Centennial gave the meetings of the Convention in Boston an unusual interest, which is, of course, reflected in the pages of the report. Distribution of the volume has greatly increased.

Report of the American Baptist Publication Society for 1913 and 1914. Octavo, pages xxxiv and 625 to 700a.

As indicated, the paging is in part that of the Convention Annual, from which it is reprinted; pages i-xxxiv contain minutes and addresses. For free distribution.

Baptist Year-Book. Edited by J. G. Walker, D. D. Octavo, 278 pages. Price, 50 cents, postage extra.

An annual marked by the painstaking care of its editor to have accuracy define its statements, mathematical and verbal. The lists of denominational facts and the condensations of reports of Baptist State and national organizations make it invaluable.

Are You a Christian? By Rev. N. Wakeham.

What Constitutes the Christian's Bible? By Rev. N. Wakeham.

These tracts of four pages each were published for distribution by the author.

Néhány Tény Több Tény. By L. L. Zboray. 18mo, 12 pages.

The tract by Rev. J. J. Ross, of Hamilton, Ontario, Can., entitled "Some Facts and More Facts," in regard to the teaching known as "Millennial Dawnism" or "Russellism," and especially in regard to the author of that teaching, has been translated by Mr. Zboray for use among Hungarian-speaking immigrants.

The Gospel in Two Acts. By J. F. Love, D. D. 16mo, 32 pages. Price, 10 cents.

The author shows that Baptists do not contend for forms more than do others. Abandonment of the forms of the ordinances Christ instituted tends to formalism. The ordinances save not men, but the saving truth; they preach to the eye the essential facts of the gospel; hence immersion and the Lord's Supper are an apologetic to be preserved unchanged that they may be observed with religious purpose; they signify things to come in which the gospel culminates. Doctor Love pleads that the union of evangelical Christians shall find its beginning in acceptance of these ordinances.

The Diaconate As It Is and As It Ought to Be. By F. L. Wilkins, D. D. 18mo, 20 pages. Price, 5 cents net.

The title indicates the main divisions of the author's discussion of his topic. Frankly stating facts that vex and facts that show honest struggle after the ideal in the attitude of churches toward the diaconate and in the conduct of deacons of to-day, Doctor Wilkins outlines the New Testament picture of the office, shows the responsibilities of the church, and suggestively indicates present-day church work and opportunities which make the fit deacon necessary and invaluable.

I Love Thee. Antiphonal hymn. By W. C. Bitting, D. D.

Published for the author, for distribution by him.

Church Loyalty. By David Spencer, D. D. 12 pages.

An address, printed for the West Philadelphia Social Union, for free distribution under the direction of that body.

Christmas Carols. By Mira Rowland. Octavo, 20 pages. Price, 5 cents per copy, postpaid; $4.25 per hundred, postpaid.

Teacher-Training Essentials. A First Standard Course for Sunday-school Teachers. Part II, containing the section on the Bible. By H. E. Tralle, M. A., Th. D. 16mo, 117 pages. Price, paper, 25 cents net.

The average volunteer Sunday-school teacher who is in position not because of felt qualification, but because somebody must serve in the emergency, will be grateful for this little book. In a few words Doctor Tralle tells the essential facts as to the making of the Bible, the kinds of teachers whose messages are given in it, the land which produced the book, the history of the people of the book, and the growth of the Bible during the life of that people: the connection of the Bible with church history, modern missions, and social life. He has a suggestive chapter upon the story materials in the Bible, and outlines a course of reading for the teacher who, having volunteered, has the will to be fit for his task. Part I of this course found ready acceptance, and has had a gratifying sale. The same may well be true of this second portion of the book.

Fallacies and Vagaries of Misinterpretation. By Charles Walker Ray, D. D. 12mo, 216 pages. Price, $1.00.

In 1913 we published for this author "The Song of Songs of the King and His Bride." By similar business arrangement the present volume has been produced. Here Doctor Ray has brought together a number of sermonic essays on interesting texts and themes which have long formed ground of debate between the more orthodox and the more liberal in interpretation of the Scriptures. His own position cannot be mistaken. An ardent lover of the Book, he has scant patience with those who seem to him bent on destroying its truth and sacredness. With diligent endeavor he seeks to uncover the faults in the work of scholars whose methods have been those of higher criticism.

Springtime and the Children. Six Nature and Bible Lessons for the Primary Department, culminating in the Easter Lesson. By Emma N. Waglie. 14 pages. Price, 5 cents net.

Illustrative material found in nature, within easy reach of the teacher and of lively interest to the little ones, forms the basis of these lessons.

The thought of awakening is developed so as to lead naturally to the idea of the resurrection. Two new songs, words and music by the author of the lessons, are an effective feature. The language will be found adapted for immediate use, but may readily be changed as occasion may require. Not a little of the helpfulness of the program is in its suggestion of ways and means to the thoughtful teacher.

The People's Prayers, Voiced by a Layman. By George W. Coleman. 16mo, 93 pages. Price, 50 cents net.

A most interesting little volume in an artistic dress. The Ford Hall Meetings, in Boston, at the first might not have seemed to represent religion. The name of God was not often mentioned. Prayer was not offered. Not because the leader did not believe in God or doubted the value of prayer, but because he had to find his people and his people had to find themselves. To lead in prayer so that others feel themselves led, feel that the desires of their hearts are being interpreted, what they wish said is being said, is no slight expression of sympathy and understanding. These prayers commended themselves to those remarkable assemblies where the leader must speak for Jew and Christian and for men who could hardly classify themselves. They are published, together with some social hymns, in response to the call of many of these attendants, and in the hope that they may be suggestive to pastors and Social Service workers in meetings of a character similar to those of which Mr. Coleman is director.

PERIODICALS

ON account of the early date at which this report is required it is impossible to make it as complete in every particular as heretofore. An approximate estimate shows an apparently steady and gratifying increase in circulation, both in the Uniform and the Graded Series. The fourth year of the Senior Graded Studies will be finished during the present calendar year.

Following the usual plan of tabular statement, careful examination will show that in the class "General" four periodicals have made gains; *Young People*, increasing nearly 12,000, has forged well ahead toward the 200,000 mark at which it has been aiming. *Girl's World* comes next, with a gain of almost 4,600 and an average of over 98,000. *Youth's World* gained nearly 5,000 more than last year, and climbs to an average of nearly 90,000. *Our Juniors* gained nearly 500, reaching a trifle over 5,000 average. On the other hand, *Our Little Ones* and *Home and School* have about held their own in circulation. *World-Wide* has decreased 722, and *Service* has decreased 161.

In the class "Uniform Lesson Helps for Superintendents and Teachers," *The Superintendent* shows a decrease of 197, a better showing, however, than that of last year. *The Baptist Teacher* decreased 1,762. *Bible Lesson Pictures* (the large wall roll) about held its own. *The Adult Class* gained 390, and the *Primary Teacher* gained 203, a distinct increase over last year.

In the third class, "Uniform Lesson Helps for Pupils," the changes are most marked; six periodicals making gains in circulation and three showing decrease. Of the latter, the *Junior Quarterly* receded by 1,837, as compared with the decrease of 5,358 last year, equivalent to an actual gain of 3,521. *Junior Lessons* show a decrease about the same as that of last year. *Our Story Quarterly* lost this year about the same as the increase of last year. The increase side is most marked by the *Senior Quarterly*, which gained 18,843. The increase last year was 1,964. The *Advanced Quarterly* shows an increase of 4,800. This does not equal the increase of last year, which totaled 9,579. The *Advanced Home Department Quarterly* has forged ahead 3,581;

almost 2,000 better than the figures of last year. The *Primary Quarterly* has gained 2,287, thus coming within about 1,000 of overcoming the decrease of last year. *Bible Lessons* last year lost 664, but this year overcame that with an increase of 2,000. *Picture Lesson Cards* last year lost 2,550, but this loss was more than made up this year by a gain of 475.

The aggregates in the average issues of the Uniform Series are as follows:

General	536,676
Teachers and superintendents	69,526
Pupils	1,211,600
	1,817,802

a gain of 43,641 over last year.

The gross output of the Uniform Lessons for the year was as follows:

General	26,595,651
Teachers and superintendents	754,972
Pupils	18,641,204
	45,991,827

a gain of 1,288,670. The facts with regard to the Graded Series are given in the accompanying table. A summation of this table will show that there has been a gain of 670,725 in the Graded Series, making a total gain of 1,959,395 copies. The gross output for the year is 57,784,911.

	Average issue	Increase compared with 1914	Decrease compared with 1914	Total issue during ye	Increase	Decrease
General						
Our Little Ones	126,032	.....	218	6,553,760	.....	[illegible]
The Youth's World	89,880	5,725	.....	4,673,790	297,725	
The Girl's World	98,165	4,592	.....	5,104,650	238,765	
Young People	190,842	11,978	.....	9,923,725	622,850	
Home and School	13,624	.....	84	163,483	.....	[illegible]
[illegible]	5,062	.....	722	60,746	.....	[illegible]
Service	7,952	.....	161	95,422	.....	[illegible]
Our Juniors	5,019	469	.....	20,075	1,875	
Totals	536,676	22,764	1,185	26,595,651	1,161,215	[illegible]
Uniform Lesson Helps for Superintendents and Teachers						
[illegible]	4,413	.....	197	52,956		2,354
[illegible]	44,398	.....	1,762	532,780		21,135
[illegible]	10,797	290	.....	129,568	[illegible]	
[illegible]	5,585	203	.....	22,33		
[illegible]	4,333	.....	22	17,330	.....	[illegible]
Totals	69,526	493	1,981	754,072	4,286	[illegible]
Uniform Lesson Helps for Pupils						
[illegible]	162,119	13,843	.....	648,475	55,370	[illegible]
Advanced Quarterly	383,112	4,800	.....	1,532,447	19,197	[illegible]
Advanced Quarterly H[illegible]						
[illegible]	48,302	3,581	.....	193,210	14,326	[illegible]
Junior Quarterly	210,080	.....	1,827	840,355	.....	[illegible]
Junior Lessons	18,017	.....	1,528	936,915	.....	[illegible]
Primary Quarterly	93,998	2,287	.....	375,990	9,145	[illegible]
Bible Lessons	97,099	2,632	.....	5,049,157	136,842	[illegible]
Picture Lesson Cards	172,275	475	.....	8,958,300	24,700	[illegible]
Our Story Quarterly	26,589	.....	813	106,355	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	1,211,600	27,618	4,168	18,641,204	259,580	[illegible]
Graded Lessons for Teachers						
[illegible]' Course	3,102	172	.....	12,408	688	[illegible]
Primary Course	4,415	.....	733	17,660	.....	[illegible]
Junior Course	5,921	.....	526	23,683	.....	[illegible]
[illegible]	3,098	.....	87	12,302	.....	[illegible]
Senior [illegible]	1,262	65	.....	5,048	268	.....
[illegible]	825	.....	195	42,900	.....	[illegible]
Primary Picture	728	.....	938	37,830	.....	[illegible]
Totals	19,351	237	2,477	151,921	956	[illegible]
Graded Lessons for Pupils						
Beginners' Stories	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	2,878,967	112,554	.....
Primary Stories	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	3,617,458	312,637	.....
Junior Bible Work	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	3,654,469	249,028	.....
Intermediate Studies	[illegible]	992	.....	1,449,110	47,086	.....
Senior Studies	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	41,159	13,773	.....
Totals	[illegible]	[illegible]	.....	11,641,163	735,078	.....

MISSIONARY AND BIBLE DEPARTMENT

THE Missionary and Bible Department has had a full year of fruitful service. The Secretary has attended to the executive responsibilities of his office, which properly demand a man's whole time. In addition, he has traveled over fifty-five thousand miles by rail, attending conferences of workers, investigating needs, and seeking information that would aid in wise modification or enlargement of existing plans. In his public ministry he has delivered one hundred and thirty formal addresses, and ninety-two of a more informal character. He has also given much personal attention to the effort to increase the invested funds of the Society to

ONE MILLION DOLLARS

WE are happy to announce an unprecedented accession to the permanent funds. One year ago the fund amounted to $864,195.25. To-day the fund amounts to $1,001,726.85, an increase of $137,531.60 during the year. What is better still, other pledges have been secured, amounting to $74,300, which we confidently expect will soon be redeemed.

FINANCE

IT is a cause of profound gratitude that we are able to report once more that we have closed the year without a debt. The expenses of administration have been less than in the preceding year. Every endeavor has been made to economize in expenditure without loss of efficiency. We hold that it is no crime to be economical in missionary administration.

For several years the contributions of the Publishing Department have more than met the administrative expenses of the Missionary Department, yet there are found many who persist in thinking that offerings taken for the Society are to be used

in part for the support of the Publishing Department. Let the error die.

It is an open question whether the expenses for the promotion of interest and beneficence and for the superintendence of workers are properly chargeable to expenses of administration or to missionary service. The custom varies among societies. But, however it should be charged, we are pleased to report that the contributions of the Publishing to the Missionary Department are more than sufficient to meet all the expenses of administration, of the collection of funds, and of the superintendence of missionary work. Every penny given to our missionary treasury goes, therefore, direct to missionary service.

ANNUITIES AND LEGACIES

SO many inquiries have been made and so many erroneous impressions spread about that we deem it wise to make a public statement of our policy as to legacies and maturing annuities. We propose to observe to the very letter every restriction and obligation imposed upon us by the terms of a will or by the conditions of a deed of gift if it is at all possible to do so. Painstaking inquiry among those who are making denominational remembrances in their wills, and among those who are making Christian investments under the annuity plan, reveals that almost without exception the donors desire that their gifts shall be permanently kept. In the absence of specific instructions in the will or in the annuity bond, therefore, we propose to carry to our permanent funds all maturing annuities and every legacy of any considerable amount. Thus we are increasingly able to stabilize our income, and are not left to the uncertainties of death, while at the same time we do permanent honor to those who have remembered our work.

In consultation with the Boards of our sister denominational societies we have agreed to adopt a new schedule of annuity rates, effective April 1, 1915. The rates are as follows: Under 40 years, 4 per cent; at 40 years, 5 per cent; at 41 years 5.1 per cent; at 42 years, 5.2 per cent; at 43 years, 5.3 per cent, and so on, adding one-tenth of one per cent for each year. At 50 years the rate is 6 per cent, with an additional one-tenth for each additional year; 60 years starts at 7 per cent; 70 years at 8 per cent. For 80 and

over a flat rate of 9 per cent is paid. The rate at which the annuity starts continues. Where two or more lives benefit by the annuity the rate is based on the average age less two-tenths of one per cent. Age is reckoned to the nearest birthday. It is confidently believed that, while the new rates are less than those paid by the life-insurance companies, they will nevertheless attract large sums. The fact that a life-insurance company handles annuities as a purely commercial proposition forever debars it from competition with a missionary society with whom donors take out annuities as a Christian investment. The fact that the Publication Society maintains the funds so invested permanently, and that our bond is secured by over one million dollars in real estate, makes an annuity investment with us particularly attractive, especially to those who must have an assured income while they live, and who may also desire to leave a permanent memorial for themselves or those whom they love.

WORK FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

AN increasingly large amount of attention with a consequent expenditure of money is being given to the interests of young people in the Sunday-school, and the young people's society. We have maintained during the year forty Directors of Sunday-school and Young People's Work. Full details of this work and of associated Social Service activities will be found in the reports of the Educational Secretary and the Director of Social Service. The expenditure involved was $52,255.19.

The addition of Miss Meme Brockway, Director of Elementary Work, to our force has proven an immense success. She has brought a wealth of experience to thousands of elementary workers in a most helpful way. She has already begun to build up an organization of elementary workers in the States of our Convention, which we believe will ultimately prove to be of far-reaching power.

Some readjustments in territory of the Directors are already under way, but are slowly made, because of State pride. However, in the development of a strong educational plan we cannot afford to hold too rigidly to State or Convention lines.

During the year we have entered into cooperation with Massachusetts and New Jersey in the maintenance of Directors of

Sunday-school and Young People's Work, while overtures have been made to us by several other Conventions. There seems to be a growing conviction that the denomination that neglects its young people turns its back on its future. We now have a force attempting to do this work which is second to none.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EARLY in the new year nation-wide attention was directed to the so-called "Gary Plan." This was a plan inaugurated by the superintendent of the Gary, Ind., public schools, whereby the scholars were turned over to the respective churches for a limited period for religious instruction each school day. It was immediately seen that the churches were not ready for the task, and various general denominational bodies sent experts to the city to assist the churches.

It was evident that the Gary idea would be quickly adopted elsewhere. It was also apparent that no general body would be able to supply the teaching force likely to be demanded. We therefore asked our Educational Secretary to study the situation. Upon his recommendation we directed our Indiana Director of Sunday-school and Young People's Work to go to Gary, spending a month or more attempting to inaugurate a plan. It has been our endeavor to devise such a course of study as shall be adapted to the needs of the average local church; believing that once this was secured, local churches would be able of themselves to care for the situation.

In the development of this plan we have been compelled during the year to supplement the work of the Gary church with paid teachers; while our State Director has kept in close touch with the work. We believe that we shall soon be able to propose a course of study adaptable to any Baptist church upon whom this responsibility is suddenly cast. Fuller details will be found in the report of the Educational Secretary.

VACATION BIBLE-SCHOOL WORK

AT the Northern Baptist Convention in Boston a resolution was passed requesting the Society to investigate the matter of Daily Vacation Bible-schools, with a view to a more systematic development and superintendence of the same. Previously the

City Mission Secretaries had by vote asked the Society to make provision for an expenditure of ten thousand dollars in this work.

For several years the Society has been assisting such schools, notably in Philadelphia and Brooklyn. Investigation reveals that we have never refused such assistance to any city that asked it. However, without any activity in promotion of the idea, the number of such schools in Baptist churches has steadily increased, until during the summer of 1914 more than one hundred and fifty were maintained.

A study of the situation shows a widely varying conception in the different cities, and much waste of strength in some, in attempting to do what others have already found to be impracticable; while other cities feel the need of some such enterprise, but do not know how to go about it. We have reached the conclusion therefore that three things are needed. There is needed a literature on the subject. This need not be extensive, but must be clearly conceived and succinctly set forth. It must be based on experience. There should be literature promoting the idea and a literature for practical use in the school. It is apparent that our Society is the natural agency for this work.

There is also an imperative need for a directing head—a person who will be responsible for the promotion of the work, and who will serve as a clearing-house for ideas. There is not enough work, it seems to us, to engage a man's whole time. Five months of each year would be sufficient at the present. It is probable, however, that we would be able to secure a man qualified for the task whom we could use to good advantage in our institute work for the balance of his time.

There is needed finally a limited financial assistance in the support of teachers.

In view of the very evident intention of the Northern Baptist Convention to commit this task to us, and in view of the pressure being brought to bear to have the work begun immediately, we included an item in our preliminary budget for this year. The Finance Committee ruled it out, however; taking the ground that, inasmuch as the Publication Society had been asked to investigate the matter, we should report back to the Convention before proceeding further. We therefore make this report and await action, which we trust will be taken at this session.

COLPORTAGE WORK

THE Society has continued its colportage work along the lines so long established by us. The whole number employed has been one hundred and forty-two, of whom sixty-five were assigned to work among foreign-speaking people. We have been compelled to carry since July the colportage work which was undertaken in Chili by our Mexican Baptist brethren. It is likely that we may also have to carry for a time a similar work in that country which has heretofore been provided for by our English Baptist brethren. The return of peace will make it possible for us to withdraw.

The spiritual returns from colportage service are magnificent. These men are supposed to be the pioneers going to those to whom no other body goes, and caring for the unshepherded. They visited during the year 172,502 families, held 12,311 prayer-meetings, delivered 33,417 sermons and addresses. They distributed 1,253,668 tracts, 9,761 copies of the Scriptures and other books, making for the development of the Christian life. As a result of their labors, 8,061 converts were won, 184 Sunday-schools were organized, and 29 churches.

In one case the sale of a thirty-five-cent copy of the book "Grace Truman" resulted in seven conversions and baptisms, while the circulation of the book in the neighborhood caused a remarkable change to Baptist views. One of the foremost religious leaders of the nation gives it as his testimony that for the money expended the spiritual returns are larger in this class of service than in any other kind of missionary activity.

One year ago we reported our intention to equip as many of our colporters as we wisely could with automobiles instead of wagons. In the execution of that policy we have already put nine into the field, while three more have been promised. It is not likely that we shall further increase the number at present. The cost of an automobile equipped for service and the cost of a colportage outfit is practically the same. It is beyond question that an automobile greatly increases a colporter's ability to reach people. For the first year of its life an automobile is less expensive than a wagon and a pair of horses. But after that the auto's advantage passes. It is short lived. From the nature of the case, it cannot be expected to last as long as an auto in town.

Our experience thus far leads us to question whether as an agency for missionary service in rural districts, the automobile is sufficiently economical for a term of years as to be practicable. Until we have gathered more experience from those now in operation we must mark time.

The new colportage boat, the Robert G. Seymour, was completed in October, 1914, and started on its way. Dedication, however, was delayed until the cost of its building and equipment was fully provided. It is hoped to dedicate it in May. It has already rendered a large service on Puget Sound and along the Hood Canal. The Life-Line has continued its work in western Oregon, and the Crozer colportage cruiser Osceola, which will be henceforth known as The J. Lewis Crozer, has kept on its way preaching Christ on the waterways of northern California.

The colporters as a whole are a band of faithful, God-fearing men, ready to adapt themselves to any situation, hesitating at no hardship, fearless in their proclamation of the truth. No suspicion or scandal has been raised against a single one throughout the year. We praise God for their labors.

THE WORK OF THE CHAPEL CARS

THE missionaries of other years have continued, with one exception. Rev. J. Franklin Day resigned early in the year to return to the pastorate. We were fortunate in securing the Rev. W. C. Driver and wife to succeed him on Chapel Car Good Will. Mr. and Mrs. Driver have already made a large place for themselves.

Extensive repairs have been made to two cars—Emmanuel and Herald of Hope. All cars are now in good condition, needing only repainting or revarnishing in the case of some. The outstanding feature of the year has been the building of a new all-steel chapel car with a wood interior. Mention was made in our last report of the gift of funds for this car by Mr. and Mrs. A. Otis Birch and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Conaway, of Los Angeles. Work was begun early in the new year, and the car was finished March 1. In compliance with the wishes of the donors it has been named Grace, and numbered No. 7. It will be dedicated during the meetings of the Northern Baptist Convention in Los Angeles, and has been assigned to service in California and Arizona during the coming year. Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Hermiston, who have

spent eleven years on Chapel Car Emmanuel, have been transferred to Chapel Car Grace.

Beginning January 1, 1915, the First Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio, adopted Herald of Hope. It is confidently expected that two other cars will soon be adopted by churches. A fund of forty thousand dollars to become a permanent endowment for a car is already well under way to completion, and similar endowments for some of the other cars are already projected.

The chapel car has proven itself one of the most practical agencies in the history of Christian missions. The idea has already been adopted by the Roman Catholic Church of this country, which now has three cars in commission, while the Greek Catholic Church has three in use on the trans-Siberian Railways.

The car as an effective force in a new unchurched town has long been recognized. During the last few years it has proven itself especially effective in communities where there are dead or dying churches. The attempt to revive such interests by ordinary evangelistic methods very largely fails because the evangelist is dependent somewhat upon the people who are there, and he is thereby limited in his work and his methods. The chapel-car evangelist is not dependent upon the people to whom he preaches, and is able to take, without fear, whatever steps are needful for the resuscitation of the work. God has signally blessed the ministry of our cars. The results of the work from the beginning are:

	1914-1915	1891-1915
Churches organized	4	205
Sunday-schools organized	9	326
Meeting-houses built	3	166
Pastors settled	8	244
Conversions	962	21,524
Baptisms	365	9,426
Additions otherwise	186	7,730
Scriptures distributed	821	14,377

THE WORK OF BIBLE DISTRIBUTION

THE year's contributions from churches for Bible work amount to $1,147.24. Individuals have given $1,992.76, of which $1,350 was specific. Grants have been made to the missionaries of the American Baptist Home Mission Society amounting to $670.45. The usual contribution of $500 was made to the China Baptist

Publication Society for the support of Bible colporters in China. $279.54 was given to the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society for Bible work in foreign fields. During the year we secured a Protestant translation of the Gospels in Slovak, and at once proceeded to print the same. This is, as we are informed, the only Protestant version of the Gospels in Slovak available. Each Gospel is separately bound, and the four are bound together with the title "What Jesus Teaches."

At a recent meeting of the Bible Committee it was voted to make it our policy to print the New Testament in each foreign tongue in which Baptist missionary work is being conducted, as the translations and money may be secured. This action was indorsed by the Board, and the Finance Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention have given their approval to our endeavor to secure $8,000 this year by special appeal to be used in this way. It is probable that the New Testament in Hungarian will be the first undertaken if the money is secured, as there is at present an entire failure of the American supply of Scriptures in this language on account of the war. We appeal to the friends of the Word to help us to make it open to all.

THE USE OF FUNDS

THE whole number of grants made during the year was 3,056, having a value of $10,880.57. Some of our funds are encumbered with restrictions, which make it hard to administer them; but we have endeavored to fulfil the letter and the spirit of the donor's wish.

We especially need additional funds for tract distribution. There seems to be a revival of appreciation of the tract as a means of soul-winning. The funds at our disposal are altogether inadequate to meet the demands of the time.

WORK FOR FOREIGNERS

REFERENCE has already been made to the fact that we have employed sixty-five colporters among foreign-speaking peoples during the year. We have also kept in service five special Sunday-school workers. Requests for others we have been compelled to refuse.

We have also assisted in the publication of papers in the Italian and Rumanian languages. Requests, repeated and insistent, have been made for assistance in the publication of papers in French, Slovak, Bohemian, Hungarian, Polish, and Russian. It is a great problem to know what to do. We are not sufficient of ourselves for this thing. The Commission on Foreign-speaking Bodies, appointed by the Northern Baptist Convention, is not in a position to decide. It appears to us that some general comprehensive policy ought to be inaugurated through a conference, which should be composed of representatives of each organized body of foreign-speaking people among whom Baptists work, the City Mission Secretaries, the State Convention Secretaries, the Commission on Foreign-speaking Bodies, and this Society. We could easily expend $100,000 a year in this work, but it would be a wasteful expenditure. If a wise, comprehensive policy can be framed, we shall be glad to cooperate to the extent of our ability.

We are in hearty agreement with the demand for an enlarged tract literature in foreign tongues, and are at present cooperating with representatives of State and city mission organizations in producing more. We are convinced, however, that there is a lamentable failure to use what we already have. We have already 2 tracts in Indian; 20 in French; 43 in German; 19 in Hungarian-Magyar; 25 in Italian; 65 in Spanish; 4 in Portuguese; 33 in Danish-Norwegian; 45 in Swedish; 15 in Finnish; and 6 in Polish.

FINALLY

WE have continued our cooperative relationships with other societies in maintaining secretaries to the Free Baptists, the Department of Missionary Education, joint and single State Collecting Agencies, and in the publication of *Missions*. *Missions* involves an annual deficit of $10,000, which has to be met by the missionary societies from contributions for missionary work. The expenditure is probably wise and legitimate. The magazine, however, is not as widely read as it was anticipated that it would be. It is to be hoped the pastors will take an increasing interest in securing a larger constituency. No service so potent with large results is so easily rendered.

In conclusion, we bear grateful recognition to God for the mercies of the year. Not one of our missionaries has met with severe injury, not one has died. We are grateful for the opportunities for service and for the spiritual returns. We are thankful that by His grace we are without debt once more.

To all District Superintendents, to all missionaries, and other representatives who have so cheerfully borne the burdens of the year, to those who have prayed for us and given to us we give hearty recognition and thanks. We go forward to the new year filled with humility, but also full of faith, courage, and good cheer.

TABLE OF MISSIONARY WORK

	For Year 1914–1915	From Beginning
Number of Missionaries and Workers	209	6,136
Days of Service	57,735	1,018,727
Families Visited	172,562	3,175,708
Prayer-meetings Held	12,311	273,388
Sermons and Addresses	33,417	1,332,987
Conversions	8,061	185,909
Baptisms	2,045	50,983
Churches Organized	29	1,884
Sunday-schools Organized	184	15,935
Pages of Tracts Distributed	1,253,668	60,474,963
Books Sold	53,329	1,344,300
Books Given Away	9,761	240,414
Sunday-school and Young People's Institutes	1,421	28,122
[1] Sunday-schools and Individuals Aided by Donations of Scriptures, etc.	1,394	52,331
[1] Pastors and Ministers, Students Aided with Grants for their Libraries	250	12,535

[1] Not including 1896. Records destroyed by fire

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

APPLYING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

THE importance of religious education gains increasing recognition. It is becoming the concern of good citizenship as well as a Christian obligation. This department of the American Baptist Publication Society seeks to inspire the local church with a purpose to do better teaching and to lead the aroused church to wise methods. It is the plan of the department to contribute to all the teaching ministry of the church. More particularly, the efficiency of the Sunday-school, young people's society, and allied organizations is sought.

THE DEPARTMENT AS ORGANIZED

THE Educational Secretary is fortunate in the continued service of Miss Daisy Dean as office assistant. Miss Dean has developed the teacher-training work, and conducts a large correspondence with inquirers desiring educational direction. She has also rendered valuable help in field work in Iowa, Colorado, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. Splendid field service has been rendered by Miss Anna Edith Meyers, of the Editorial Department. A great strengthening of our field efficiency came in the person of the new Director of Elementary Work, Miss Meme Brockway. She has gone widely from New England to California, and wherever she has gone friends have been won and the Sunday-school cause advanced. Her report for the year follows later.

Changes among the directors have been indicated elsewhere. So recently have we made these workers Directors of Sunday-school and Young People's Work that to many the work is still new. Each year shows a gain in their efficiency. The policy of holding training conferences with educational field workers was continued by a gathering at Omaha for the Directors of Superintendent Jacobs' district, and at Detroit for the Directors of Superintendent Ketman's district.

INSTITUTES

NO feature of the educational work has grown more rapidly than the institutes. During the year the directors reported holding 1,421. A classification of institutes has been necessary. They are divided according to the size of the city in which they are held. In cities of the first class five-day institutes are held, in which the faculty is strengthened from headquarters. In cities of the second class the institute is wholly in the hands of the State Director, who may call to his aid a neighboring director with the consent of the District Superintendent. In cities and towns of the third class the director holds a briefer institute with local help. Since the last report larger institutes have been held in Omaha, Detroit, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Columbus, Dayton, and Cincinnati. In each case a strong local committee of pastors, Sunday-school superintendents, and workers from the young people's society cooperated with the Publication Society workers. In the First Church, Philadelphia, in November, a faculty of twenty-seven gave instruction to 1,436 registered students from one hundred and twenty Baptist churches and six other denominations. In the Ninth Street Baptist Church, of Cincinnati, in February, 1,654 different persons were registered for classes and conferences, with a total attendance by periods of over seven thousand.

In addition to our regular force of lecturers, splendid help has been given in these institutes by Prof. H. H. Severn, of Hillsdale College; Prof. Llewellyn Phillips, of Bucknell University; Prof. E. B. Pollard, of Crozer Seminary; President J. W. Bailey, of Central College; Dr. L. W. Hainer, of Norristown; Professor Raffety, of the Kansas City Seminary; Professor Tralle, of Hardin College; Professor Phillips, of William Jewell College; Rev. F. G. Detweiler, of Dayton; Rev. G. E. Lockart, of Beloit; Mrs. George H. Ferris and Mr. A. H. Vautier, of Philadelphia.

The city institute has grown to include all the teaching work of the local church. This has led to an invitation to the women's missionary circles to take advantage of an earlier hour to present a course on home and foreign missions. Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson was sent to Cincinnati to represent both missionary interests, and Mrs. Frank H. Goodchild performed a similar service at Mount Vernon, N. Y. The plan worked out a gratifying suc-

cess in increased interest and attendance, and a marked help toward the unifying of all the educational work of the church.

TEACHER-TRAINING

IT is becoming increasingly apparent that Sunday-school advance depends upon a trained superintendence and teaching force. But in no field of church effort are more difficulties found. Lack of time, lack of vision, lack of local leadership are some of the obstacles. Steadily the teacher-training movement gains headway, however, because of its fundamental necessity. During the year we have enrolled 18,638 students. Of these, 5,768 have been taking the Advanced Course and 12,870 the First Standard Course. We have issued 1,673 diplomas. This work has involved the handling of more than 50,000 examination papers and an almost overwhelming amount of correspondence.

An increased interest has been shown in the work of the correspondence students. Eight hundred and twenty have been pursuing these courses during the year, many of whom have shown remarkable enthusiasm and earnestness. The new text-book, "Teacher-Training Essentials," has promoted a larger use of the Introductory Course, with more satisfactory results in the way of supplementary reading and independent thinking. The courses have been extended to include work in all the best teacher-training texts. Specialization courses are now being outlined, which will meet a growing demand on the part of department superintendents.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL STANDARD

IN line with other evangelical denominations, we adopted our own Sunday-school Standard at the Detroit meetings of the Northern Baptist Convention. Two years show marked gains from the use of the Standard. Several States report Standard schools. Most of the State Sunday-school Associations are urging the Baptist Standard upon Baptist schools, with good results. By the recent action of the Sunday-school Council and the International Sunday-school Association a Joint Standing Committee on Standards has been created. The Educational Secretary has been made a member of that committee. It is hoped to make more effective the denominational standard by this agency.

DIRECTORS' READING COURSE

THE policy of helping our field force to a wider acquaintance with educational principles and practice has been continued. Such are the demands upon one who is looked upon as an educational leader that he must be a growing man. The Society has no place in its force for a director who has lost his habits of study. During the year past the following list of books has been reported on. A choice has been offered, but each man is expected to give a written criticism of at least three during the twelve months.

"The Training of Sunday-school Teachers and Officers," McElfresh.
"Worship in the Sunday-school," Hartshorne.
"The Dawn of Character," Mumford.
"The Sunday-school at Work," Faris.
"The Bible: Its Origin, Its Significance, and Its Abiding Worth," Peake.
"The Church School," Athearn.
"Sunday-school Building and Its Equipment," Evans.
"The High School Age," King.
"Training the Child in Religion," Hodges.
"World Stories Retold," Sly.
"History of the Hebrews," Saunders.

ORGANIZED CLASSES

PROF. CHAS. M. PHILLIPS, of William Jewell College, was made, last year, Field Secretary of the Agoga and Amoma Association. He has promoted Agoga and Amoma classes throughout the middle West. New classes have been organized and charters issued. These classes are gradually increasing in the Eastern States.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

A BETTER understanding is coming in concerning the primary place of denominational Sunday-school and young people's work and its relations with interdenominational organizations. The Secretary has addressed the general Sunday-school Conventions of eight States. He is serving on the Education Committee of the International Sunday-school Association, and on the Executive Committee of the Commission on Christian Education of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. This Federal Council Commission has projected a lesson course on "International Peace. A Study in Christian

Fraternity," which is to be handled by various denominational publishing houses.

GRADED LESSON EXHIBIT

FOR the third time arrangements have been made for an exhibit of pupils' work on the Graded Lessons at the Northern Baptist Convention. Last year at Boston fourteen States sent work, and Dr. A. J. Rowland announced that first honors went to the First Baptist Church, Medford, Mass., with honorable mention to Richmond Hill, N. Y., and Colorado Springs, Colo. Again, at Los Angeles there will be an exhibit open to all Sunday-schools under the Northern Baptist Convention.

THE DIRECTOR AND THE YOUNG PEOPLE

EACH year brings fresh confirmation to the wisdom of adding work for young people to the State Sunday-school Director. It is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain a young people's organization made up of actual workers among young people and extending beyond State boundaries. But young people within the State need to share the State denominational life and the consciousness of belonging together. By gathering Baptist young people into State Conventions and assemblies, by visiting separated young people's societies and classes as State and denominational workers, our directors are doing an increasingly valuable work.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY STANDARD

SOME fifteen Baptist young people's societies qualified as Standard societies, fulfilling all the ten points in the judgment of their pastors, before the Kansas City Young People's Convention. From the faithful work of State Directors in presenting and urging the Standard this past year, there is every indication that when reports are made up for the Oakland Convention, this number will be materially increased. Already several, including the First Swedish Society of St. Paul, have filed reports.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S STUDY COURSES

AT the International Baptist Young People's Union of America Conventions banners have been given for excellence in the Christian Culture Courses. This year these banners will be awarded for the last time. Hereafter pennants will be given all

societies attaining the Standard and forwarding a nominal fee. But the Publication Society will continue to issue examination questions on both the Senior and Junior Christian Culture Courses. This past year the young people have studied:

SENIOR

Bible Readers' Course, by Prof. Ira M. Price.
Sacred Literature Course, by Rev. C. H. Rust.
Conquest Missionary Course, by Mrs. J. H. Haslam.

JUNIOR

Bible Readers' and Sacred Literature Courses, by Mrs. W. E. Chalmers.
Conquest Missionary Course, by Miss Daisy Dean.

THE JUNIOR STANDARD

THE Standard has proven such a help in the young people's society that it has been proposed for the junior society. A commission, of which Dr. E. M. Stephenson was chairman and Mrs. W. E. Chalmers was secretary, gathered information widely from child-study specialists and practical workers. The following Standard was then framed and has been distributed:

THE JUNIOR STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE

1. *Membership.*
   (*a*) Active members of Baptist churches nine to sixteen years old.
   (*b*) Associate members, boys and girls under nine years of age, or not church-members.
2. *Organization.*
   (*a*) A superintendent who is a member of the Senior Union.
   (*b*) The usual officers and committees from the junior members.
   (*c*) Public graduation exercises for those who have reached the age for admission into the Senior Baptist Young People's Union.
3. *Membership Campaign.*
   (*a*) Each year a campaign for new members which shall seek to reach every one of suitable years in the Sunday-school and community.
   (*b*) Ten per cent new members added during the year.
4. *Devotional Meeting.*
   (*a*) Led by a junior.
   (*b*) Participation by older juniors.

5. *Bible Study.*
   (*a*) Active members reading daily Scripture.
   (*b*) Entire membership memorizing four Bible verses and one hymn monthly.
6. *Missions.*
   (*a*) One missionary course during year.
   (*b*) Fifty per cent taking test on missionary course.
   (*c*) Some special missionary activity.
7. *Church Relation.*
   (*a*) Some definite service rendered church or Sunday-school.
   (*b*) Every member regularly attending church and Sunday-school.
8. *Giving.*
   (*a*) Regular giving of active members to some church interest.
   (*b*) Instruction in Bible principles of giving.
9. *Social.*
   (*a*) At least one social each quarter under direction of pastor or junior superintendent.
10. *Evangelism.*
   (*a*) A purposeful effort by the Union to lead others to Christ.

NEEDY STATES

TWENTY-SEVEN States within the Northern Baptist Convention now have a Director of Sunday-school and Young People's Work. Five States remain unprovided for: New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New York. A wise denominational policy urges that we do not surrender the responsibility for the development of our Sunday-schools to others, but that we provide an aggressive denominational leadership.

THE GARY PLAN OF CHURCH-SCHOOL WORK

REV. SELDON L. ROBERTS, Director of Sunday-school and Young People's Work in Indiana, has sent in the following report of the Gary Plan of Church-school Work:

The day-school work of Gary churches, in cooperation with the public schools of the city, is based on these commonly recognized educational principles:

I. Religious education is an essential factor in the proper training of every child.

II. The church cannot give a child an adequate religious education by means of the Sunday-school alone.

III. The public schools cannot give the required training in religion

because of the principle of our government which makes necessary the separation of Church and State.

IV. The public school should therefore allow the opportunity to all pupils the privilege of receiving religious instruction at the churches of their own choice during the regular school hours as nearly as possible under school conditions.

V. Each church, when given opportunity to do such work, should be prepared to adequately teach the children for whom it is responsible the elements of a wholesome and useful religious life.

When the opportunity was first offered the churches of the city of Gary by Superintendent W. A. Wirt, none of them were ready to meet it as it should have been done.

In planning the work for the Baptist church, it was thought better to place the work as nearly as possible under the control of the local church, and to use such teachers as were available from the membership and constituency of the church.

The Director of Sunday-school and Young People's Work for Indiana assisted the pastor and the church in planning the work and training the teachers. In the main the work has been done by the church itself.

The day-school work of the Baptist church is regarded as part of the regular church school, of which the Sunday-school work is also an integral part, and every effort made to coordinate the work and as far as possible give to children of the same grade continuous courses of study in both Sunday-school and day-school. While the Director of Sunday-school Work for Indiana has had general supervision of the work and the Society has aided in furnishing and in paying the teachers for this year, the detail of management has rested on local workers.

One marked feature of the day-school work is the atmosphere of work and study which is found in the classes and which is often absent from the Sunday-school class. In fact, the same children who work quite faithfully in the day-school work of the church are not much inclined to do so in the changed atmosphere of the Sunday-school in the same room, but with the greater confusion usually attending the Sunday-school work. This change is due, I believe, to the school conditions which we are better able to secure for the classes in the day-school.

The Gary Plan has many features to commend it, and is sound in principle, but it is immature as yet. The flexibility of the plan and its adaptability to varied conditions are shown by the fact that it is now in successful operation under most of the conditions likely to be met in any community.

FIELD WORK

THE Educational Secretary has filled more field engagements than in any year of his work with the Society. He addressed the Baptist State Conventions of Wisconsin, Maine, New York, and Pennsylvania, and the State Sunday-school Conventions of

West Virginia, Kansas, Rhode Island, and Michigan. He arranged for and lectured in institutes, usually of a week's duration, in Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Columbus, Detroit, Philadelphia, Dayton, and Omaha. He met committees to arrange for institutes in several other cities. Directors' conferences were held in Omaha and Detroit in connection with the institutes. General conventions were attended and participated in as follows: Northern Baptist Convention at Boston, International Sunday-school Convention at Chicago, Baptist Young People's Union of America at Kansas City, The Sunday-school Council of Evangelical Denominations at Cleveland, the Religious Education Association at Buffalo, and the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America at Richmond. Work has been given to commissions and committees of the Northern Baptist Convention, the Sunday-school Council, the Federal Council, and the International Sunday-school Association, meeting at different places. Special addresses on young people's occasions have been given at Pittsburgh, Buffalo, Kansas City, Brooklyn, Camden, and Yonkers, and the Executive Committee of the Baptist Young People's Union of America has been attended in Chicago about half a dozen times within the year. During the summer State assemblies at Montour Falls, N. Y., and Franklin, Ind., were given lectures and addresses.

SCHOLASTIC LECTURES

SEVERAL educational workers of the Publication Society have rendered notable service in the professorial chairs this past year. Dr. E. M. Stephenson has given a course of lectures in Crozer Seminary, Rev. T. H. Hagen has lectured in Sioux Falls College, Dr. W. J. Sly has taught in the Colorado Women's College, and Prof. C. M. Phillips has filled a regular teachers' position in William Jewell College.

ELEMENTARY WORK

The Aim

"LET not him that girdeth on his armor boast himself as he that putteth it off." The first year is only a record of beginnings. The Director of Elementary Work began with a dream of a nation-wide Baptist elementary organization, which should not only

carry to the most remote school the Standard adopted by the denomination and the methods devised at headquarters, but should so inspire and train the elementary teachers that with loving skill they may win the boys and girls for the Lord Jesus.

Organization

This requires a Superintendent of Elementary Work in each State, who gives voluntary service until the work proves to be of such value that the State Convention assumes the expense. This key-woman, with the advice of the Director, will select an elementary leader in each Association, and will so direct this corps of workers that they shall be able to reach with practical loving help each school in their fields.

This dream is in process of realization, and we now have Elementary Superintendents at work in sixteen States. In three States—Ohio, Indiana, and Wisconsin—the State Conventions make appropriations for part time. Two States have begun also to appoint Associational Leaders.

These State Elementary Superintendents are assisting in conventions and institute programs, and arranging for elementary conferences and luncheons which foster a spirit of fellowship as well as extend instruction.

The Director gratefully recognizes the divine Providence which has enabled her to find such choice, consecrated young women as leaders in this new service for the children.

Training

That these workers may become more efficient, we offer them some carefully selected books. When a brief synopsis of one is returned another book is forwarded, and already every Superintendent is thus preparing, and some are now entitled to the third book.

Summer Schools

As this department of work and the worker were new, only three summer assemblies in 1914 asked for help—Ohio, New York, and Pennsylvania. For the coming year ten have already sent invitations, and in five of these courses of study will be presented.

The Sunday-school Council

In the Joint Conference of the Sunday-school Council of Evangelical Denominations and the International Sunday-school Association at Cincinnati in January, an Elementary Committee, of which the Director was a member, prepared in part an Elementary Standard. A few weeks later, at its meeting in Cleveland, the Sunday-school Council appointed your Director Chairman of the Children's Work Committee, a position which offers large opportunities for service.

National Conventions

During the year addresses have been given in three national conventions: The Northern Baptist Convention at Boston; the International Sunday-school Association at Chicago; the Baptist Young People's Union Convention at Kansas City.

State Conventions

The Director has presented elementary work in the Baptist State Conventions of Rhode Island, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio, and North Dakota; in the Interdenominational State Conventions of Pennsylvania and New Jersey; and in five county and district conventions.

Institutes

Courses of study have been given in the city institutes of Omaha, Salt Lake, Dayton, Harrisburg, Detroit, Philadelphia, Columbus, Milwaukee, Lincoln, Boston, Cincinnati, Mount Vernon, and Davenport.

General Survey

Work has been done in Nebraska, Utah, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Illinois, Missouri, New Jersey, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, New York, and Iowa.

The Director is grateful for the "journeying mercies" which attended 35,521 miles of travel and for the strength sufficient for the day which made possible 244 addresses, 27 conferences, and 38 lessons.

Plans

In the next year we hope to complete the elementary organization and, less hampered by inexperience, to reach many more elementary workers through our institutes. We desire also to relate our work more closely to the colleges and theological seminaries, that we may give to those who will become the leaders of the churches the highest ideals and best methods of Sunday-school work before they learn to travel in the ruts of former usages. We even dare to hope that thus our churches may learn to consider the child's need in planning its edifices, its worship, and its study, and to say as did one of old, "I will lead on gently according to the pace of the children."

A report of the year would be incomplete without a personal word of thanks for the warm and cordial welcome given to this new branch of our great Society's work.

THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE AND THE BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD

THE work of the Department has broadened and deepened during the past year. That the Department is meeting a need is seen in the ever-increasing demands that are made upon it. That the churches appreciate the work being done is shown in the many calls that are made for the Secretary's services.

It is fitting that something should be said with reference to the aims and methods of the Department. It has never been the aim of the Department to build up another organization to do the social work of the churches or in communities. It has sought rather to infuse the social spirit into existing organizations of the churches, to indicate lines of study and activity, to suggest ways whereby these organizations may become socially effective, and to gear up the devotion of our people to the social tasks of Christianity. The Department is thus willing to lose itself, so to speak, in existing organizations, believing that in the growing interest of the people in social religion and their increased efficiency in Social Service it is finding its highest reward. Along this line the Department is securing Social Service Commissions in every State in our territory, and is cooperating with these in every way in furnishing them literature, in conferring with them with reference to the work, and in suggesting programs of effort. It is cooperating most fully and heartily with the Directors of Sunday-school and Young People's Work of the Society in the various States; by this means interest is being awakened in the Sunday-schools and Young People's Societies. It is also cooperating with the Department of Education in the various workers Institutes that are being held at important points East and West.

The services of the Secretary have been in demand in many lines

of effort. He represents our denomination on many committees and interdenominational bodies. Last summer he was named as one of six delegates from American Baptists to the World Church Peace Conference at Constance, Germany, August 2-6. He is a member of the Administrative Committee and Secretarial Cabinet of the Commission on the Church and Social Service of the Federal Council of the Churches. He served as chairman of a committee from the Federal Council to study the Industrial Situation in Colorado, and has largely written the report on "The Church and Industrial Peace." He is a member of the Commission on Temperance of the Federal Council, and is actively aiding and promoting the nation-wide pledge-signing campaign under the name of the National Abstainers Union. He is chairman of the Social Service Commission of the Interchurch Federation of Philadelphia. During the year he served as a member of a committee to prepare lessons on Social Study for the Lesson Committee of the International Sunday-school Association. He served with Dr. Charles S. Macfarland as a fraternal delegate to the American Federation of Labor, and gave the fraternal address on "The Emancipation of Labor." During the year he visited a number of State Conventions and Associations, and has cooperated with the Department of Missionary Education in presenting the work of community service.

The past year has witnessed a greatly increased interest in Brotherhood work. There was a time when many hoped to organize a general movement for work along many lines. To-day the Department is laying emphasis upon the importance of organizing the men in each congregation for efficient service in and through the local church and its various agencies. The unit of power and efficiency must be the local church; that it may be fully efficient, the men must be wisely organized, trained by study, and led in practical forms of service. Further, these men must be trained and guided that they may work effectively in and through the various agencies for uplift in the community. During the year the Department has stimulated the organization of many Brotherhoods under various names, and has aided them in their work. The Secretary has spent much time in the field in a number of States cooperating with the State Brotherhoods in visiting the churches and holding many conferences. He has held many local

conferences, and has aided the men in promoting a program of community service.

Last December, 15-17, a conference of representatives of Brotherhood men and adult classes was held at Buffalo. The Secretary was asked to speak on "A Curriculum for Men." The conference heartily approved the paper, and appointed a committee to present it at the meeting of the Lesson Committee of the International Sunday-school Association in Washington, December 29. This was done, and the Lesson Committee took favorable action looking to the preparation of lessons for Brotherhoods and adult classes. This paper has been published under the title "The Preparation for Citizenship." The Department is cooperating heartily and fully with the Department of Young People's Work in the adult class work.

The American Baptist Publication Society maintains headquarters of the Department in the Roger Williams Building. The services of one and sometimes two assistants are required to meet the demands. Requests for literature and information come daily from all parts of the land. During the year more than twenty-two thousand copies of the various leaflets issued by the Department have been distributed. The Department has a full and valuable Social Service Card Index, with some eighteen thousand references, and this information is placed at the disposal of all inquirers, either in person or by letter. The increasing number of requests for information and literature shows the remarkable increase of interest among our people both in Social Service and in men's work.

The Secretary spends a large part of his time in the field, holding conferences, addressing institutes, visiting the churches, and in promoting the work. Last year he traveled 42,360 miles, made 218 addresses, and attended 75 conferences and committee meetings.

A detailed statement of field work for the year is appended.

Field Work, January 1, 1914, to December 31, 1914

January:

2. Federal Council Commission, New York.
4. Eleventh Church, Philadelphia.
11. Trenton First Church.
    Young Men's Christian Association.

18. Cleveland First Church, morning and afternoon.
19. Cleveland, Institute, four addresses.
22. Prison Committee, Chicago.
23. Social Service Commission, Chicago.
25. Lewisburg, Pa., morning.
    Milton, Pa., afternoon and evening.
27. Media, Pa., Brotherhood.
28. Social Workers' Institute, Philadelphia.

February:

1. Bristol, Pa., Brotherhood.
   Linden Church, Camden, N. J.
3. Vergennes, Vt., two addresses and conference.
6. White River Junction, two addresses.
8. Barre, three addresses.
9. Newport, two addresses and conference.
11. Saint Albans, two addresses.
13. Burlington, three addresses and conference.
15. Rutland, four addresses.
17. N. W. Social Union, Philadelphia.
22. Richmond, Ind., three addresses.
24. Fort Wayne, Brotherhood.
25. South Bend, Brotherhood.
26. Hammond, Brotherhood.
27. Terra Haute, Brotherhood.

March:

1. New Albany, two addresses, Jefferson, Ind.
2. Indianapolis, addresses and conferences.
3. Franklin College.
   Seymour, Brotherhood.
6. R. E. A., New Haven, Conn., address and conference.
10. Claremont, N. H., two addresses.
11. Bradfield, two addresses.
12. Manchester, three addresses.
14, 15. Dover, three addresses.
19. Temperance Commission, New York.
20. Social Service Commission, New York.
22. Central Labor Union.
    First Christian Temperance.
23. Woodbury, N. J., Brotherhood.
24. Conference on Social Work, New York.
29. Davenport, Iowa, Social Service.

April:

1. Bisbee, Ariz., Social Service.
2. Douglass, Social Service.

3. Clifton, Social Service.
5. Globe, a. m.; Miami, p. m.
6. Safford, Social Service.
7. Tucson, Social Service.
8. Mesa, Social Service.
9-11. Phœnix, State Convention, three addresses and conference.
12. Los Angeles, Cal., First Broadway Church.
13. Ministers' Conference.
14. Sacramento, Social Service.
16. Susanville, convention, two addresses.
18. Napa, Young People's Meeting.
19. Berkeley, two addresses.
20, 21. Berkeley, Ministers' Conference.
Conference, three addresses.
22. Vallejo, Social Service.
23. Palo Alto.
Berkeley, R. E. A., two addresses.
24. Santa Clara, Brotherhood.
26. Oakland, Tenth Avenue.
San José.
28. San Francisco, Conference.
30. Salt Lake, Institute, five addresses.

May:

6. Dayton, Institute, three addresses.
10. Woodbury, N. J., Social Service.
12. Commission on Moral and Religious Education.
14. Bucknell, Young Men's Christian Association, Lewisburg, Pa.
17. Diamond Street, Philadelphia, Pa., morning and evening.
19. Social Service Commission, Philadelphia.
24. Lansdowne, Pa., A. M. P. S.
28. Flemington, N. J., Brotherhood.
31. Buffalo, N. Y., Prospect Avenue, a. m.
Brotherhood, 3 p. m.

June:

1. Buffalo, Brotherhood.
7. Chestnut Hill, Pa., a. m., Social Service.
Roxborough, Pa., p. m., Sunday-school.
10. Social Service Commission, New York.
14. Manayunk, Pa., Social Service, p. m.
17, 23. Northern Baptist Convention, Boston.
26. Chicago, Social Service.
28. Tabernacle, a. m.
Lexington Avenue, p. m.
29. Temperance Commission, Pittsburgh.

July:

5. Eleventh Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
12. Morristown, N. J., two addresses.
22. Silver Bay, Young Women's Christian Association.
24 to September 1. World's Church Peace Conference.

September:

6. Pittsfield, First Church, a. m.
   Brotherhood, Labor Day.
9. Norwich, Brotherhood.
11. Brotherhood Conference.
    National Baptist Convention.
13. Vineland, N. J., Social Service.
    Millville.
15. Social Service Commission, Philadelphia.
16. Wheeling Association, two addresses.
17. Cincinnati Association, two addresses.
20. Germantown.
    Media.
23. Lewisburg Association.
25. Lansdowne, Peace Meeting.
27. Bristol, Conn.
    Wallingford.
28. Hartford, Ministers' Conference.
29. Putnam Association.
30. Wallingford, Brotherhood.

October:

4. Zion Church, Philadelphia.
   Mount Carmel M. E., Temperance.
9. Delaware Union, two addresses.
11. Worcester, First, Social Service.
    Westboro, p. m., Social Service.
13. Rhode Island Convention, two addresses.
18. Middletown, three addresses.
19. Connecticut Convention, two addresses.
20. Pennsylvania Convention.
21. Ohio Convention, addresses and conference.
23. Bryn Mawr, Community Service.
25. Berwyn, Social Service.
27. Massachusetts Convention, addresses and conference.
28. Lesson Committee.
29-31. Secretarial Conference, Atlantic City.

November:

1-4. Detroit, Institute, six addresses.
5. Purity Congress, Kansas City.

[illegible]ourth, Philadelphia.
[illegible]. American Federation of Labor.
[illegible]. Worcester, Mass., Social Service.
[illegible] Wayne, Social Service.
[illegible] Philadelphia, Ministers' Conference.
[illegible]. Federation of Brotherhoods.
[illegible]elphia, Central Labor Union.
[illegible] Social Service Commission.
[illegible] Columbus, Tenth Avenue, a. m.
Newark, p. m.
[illegible]ber 3. Columbus Institute, four addresses.

[illegible]

[illegible], Miners' Strike.
Broadway Brotherhood.
First, Denver, Social Service.
[illegible]. Newton Center, Mass., a. m.
Wakefield, p. m.
[illegible] Ministers' Institute, Philadelphia.
[illegible]. Buffalo, Brotherhood, one address and conference.
[illegible]. Social Service Commission.
[illegible]. Hollidaysburg, Pa., a. m.
Hatboro, Pa., p. m.
[illegible]. Connellsville, Cutters' Strike Investigation.
[illegible]. Malden, First, a. m.
South Framingham, p. m.
[illegible]. Boston, Ministers' Conference.
[illegible]. Lesson Committee, Washington.

TREASURER'S REPORT

THE Report presented herewith speaks for itself. Careful examination will show that the finances of our Society are in excellent condition, and that while wide-spread business depression has prevailed during the past year, the receipts have not been seriously affected. In the Missionary and Bible Departments there have been large increases.

We have endeavored to make the Report as specific and comprehensive as possible. Next year, however, on the advice of Ernst & Ernst, efficiency experts, representatives of the Northern Baptist Convention's Committee on Efficiency, we will give fuller details in connection with the accounts of the Printing House and of the Philadelphia store.

We bespeak for the Report the most careful scrutiny. As will be seen, it has been passed upon by Lybrand, Ross Bros. & Montgomery, Certified Public Accountants, who audit our accounts every three months and personally examine all our securities.

DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS

SALES AND RECEIPTS

		Boston	Chicago	St. Louis	Total
Merchandise ..	$161,899.41	$38,706.77	$19,469.28	$69,298.29	$319,373.75
Periodicals ...	202,913.55	40,247.82	98,995.88	76,038.98	418,196.23
	$364,812.96	$78,954.59	$118,465.16	$145,337.27	$737,569.98
Accounts not collected, March 31, 1915					$88,639.99
					$648,929.99
Accounts due April 1, 1914					88,537.67
Income, Roger Williams Building					35,142.64
Income, Printing House					4,884.00
Income, Cassady Estate					254.27
Income from Permanent Funds					3,637.50
Income from Investments					28.00
Sale of Security					1,000.00
Bills Receivable					451.10
Bills Payable					4,500.00
Items due to Branch Houses					600.00
					$788,565.23
Cash [illegible] 31, 1914					50,389.80
					$838,955.03

PAYMENTS AND CREDITS

Merchandise and Periodicals:		
[illegible]		$222,493.[illegible]
[illegible]		14,827.81
[illegible]		2,547.06
[illegible]		5,076.34
[illegible]		[illegible]
Paper		89,923.23
Printing		[illegible]
Binding		101,147.59
[illegible]		[illegible]
Freight and Expressage		18,783.34
Postage on Merchandise and Periodicals		28,281.35
Expenses:		
Insurance		2,665.60
Taxes and Water Rent		4,929.86
Stationery		3,158.22
Advertising		24,031.18
Repairs and Care of Buildings and Machinery		4,339.37
Light, Fuel, and Power		4,513.82
Traveling Expenses		2,424.43
Legal Expenses		2.00
Auditing		475.00
Telephones and Telegraphing		1,150.29
Contingent (donation to charity)		688.00
Rent of Store, Basement, and Offices in Roger Williams Building		12,500.00
General		790.02
Salaries		
A. J. Rowland, D. D., Secretary and Acting Treasurer ...	$5,000.00	
H. W. Stuart, D. D., Assistant Secretary	3,600.00	
D. G. Stevens, Ph. D., Book Editor	2,400.00	
Rev. W. L. Chalmers, Educational Secretary (one-half) ..	1,250.00	
Editors of Periodicals:		
C. R. Blackall, D. D.	2,774.00	
Geo. T. Webb, D. D.	2,500.00	
Miss A. E. Meyers	1,000.00	
Writers for Periodicals	4,508.33	
One hundred and fourteen other Employees	71,821.21	
		94,853.54
Forward		$642,543.13

Amount brought forward		$642,543.13
Branch Houses:		
Rent and Expenses—Boston	$15,716.54	
" " " —Chicago	25,257.61	
" " " —St. Louis	28,370.63	
		69,344.78
Expenses, New York Agency	$1,000.63	
Expenses, Los Angeles Agency	691.86	
Petty Cash Expenses due by Los Angeles Agency	5.47	
		1,697.96
Interest paid Annuitants	$1,979.84	
" on Mortgage, Printing House	1,154.16	
" " " Roger Williams Building	3,937.50	
" " Permanent Funds	3,628.58	
		10,700.08
Accrued Interest on Investments		34.63
On account of Principal, Mortgage, Roger Williams Building		25,000.00
Grants made on Wm. Bucknell Centennial Fund		1,220.28
Grants made on Ten Thousand Dollar Fund		2,082.64
Donation to the Missionary and Bible Departments	$44,707.51	
Portion of G. L. Wittet's Salary, as Colporter in Michigan, donated to the Missionary and Bible Departments	240.00	
	$44,947.51	
Interest on Religious Newspaper Fund, donated to the Missionary and Bible Departments	192.00	
		45,139.51
Discount and Exchange		539.84
Furniture and Fixtures, Roger Williams Building	$110.22	
" " " Printing House	82.00	
		192.22
On account of Assessment Sunday-school Council of Evangelical Denominations		740.00
American Publishers' Association and Booksellers' Association (dues, etc.)		82.50
Our portion of Claim of R. C. Macey & Co.		6,000.00
Annual Meeting Expenses		192.76
Investments		1,600.00
Worthless Accounts and Depreciation closed in to Loss and Gain (net)		2,684.90
		$809,795.23
Cash Balance, March 31, 1915		29,159.86
		$838,955.09

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

For fiscal year ending March 31, 1915.

Credits

Gross Profit on Merchandise Sales—Philadelphia House	$40,840.36	
Gross Profit on Merchandise Sales—Boston House	12,045.44	
Gross Profit on Merchandise Sales—Chicago House	13,404.02	
Gross Profit on Merchandise Sales—St. Louis House	11,773.43	
		$87,154.15
Gross Profit on Periodical Sales—Philadelphia House	$175,192.10	
Gross Profit on Periodical Sales—Boston House	9,506.69	
Gross Profit on Periodical Sales—Chicago House	24,383.00	
Gross Profit on Periodical Sales—St. Louis House	22,123.52	
		231,205.31
Interest:		
County Funds	$254.27	
Firm Investments	28.00	
		282.27
Profit:		
Penrose Williams Building	40,026.64	
Profit on the Sale of Security	800.00	
		$359,468.37

Debits

Salaries:		
Executive and Clerical	[illegible]	
Penrose Williams Building	[illegible]	
Editors and Writers of Periodicals	[illegible]	
		$94,853.54
Interest:		
Penrose Williams Building Mortgage	[illegible]	
Penrose Trust Interest	[illegible]	
Annuity Bonds	[illegible]	
Permanent Fund	[illegible]	
Accrued on Investments	[illegible]	
		10,734.71
Discount and Exchange	539.84	
Branch Houses—Salaries and Expenses:		
Boston	$15,716.54	
Chicago	25,257.61	
St. Louis	28,370.63	
	69,344.78	
New York Agency	$1,000.63	
Los Angeles Agency	691.86	
	1,692.49	
Amounts carried forward	$177,165.36	$359,468.37

Amounts brought forward		$177,165.36 $359,468.37
Uncollectable Accounts:		
Philadelphia	$463.87	
Boston	516.20	
Chicago	452.92	
St. Louis	1,251.91	
		2,684.90
Depreciation:		
Stereotype Plates	5,187.61	
Machinery	626.10	
Furniture and Fixtures, Philadelphia	200.40	
Printing House Fixtures	39.42	
		6,053.53
Rent of Store, Basement, and Offices in Roger Williams Building		12,500.00
Insurance		2,665.69
Freight and Expressage		18,783.34
Traveling Expenses		2,424.43
Stationery		3,158.22
Advertising		24,031.18
Legal Expenses		82.09
Auditing		475.00
Telephones and Telegraphing		1,156.29
Contingent (donation to charity)		688.00
Repairs and Care of Buildings and Machinery ...		4,339.37
Taxes and Water Rent		4,929.86
Light, Fuel, and Power		4,513.82
Copyrights		5,076.34
Postage		28,281.35
Engraving		2,547.06
Annual Meeting Expenses		192.76
Publishers' and Booksellers' Association		82.50
Sunday-school Council of Evangelical Denominations		740.00
Claim of R. C. Macey & Co.	6,000.00	
General	790.02	
		309,361.11
Net Profit		$50,107.26
Donation to the Missionary and Bible Departments		44,947.51
Balance		$5,159.75

SUMMARY OF PROFIT

Philadelphia House	$28,346.07
Boston Branch	5,319.39
Chicago Branch	12,167.39
St. Louis Branch	4,274.41
	$50,107.26

BALANCE SHEET, MARCH 31, 1915
PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

Assets.

Cash in Bank and on hand		$29,159.86
Bills Receivable		2,838.73
Accounts Receivable		88,639.99
		$120,638.58
Inventories of Merchandise and Periodicals		220,788.41
Deferred Accounts:		
Petty Expenses, Los Angeles Agency		5.47
Real Estate, Plant, and Equipment:		
Real Estate	[illegible]	
Stereotype Plates	167,732.97	
Machinery	43,510.67	
Composing Room Plant and Materials	18,473.41	
Furniture and Fixtures, Philadelphia and Branches	34,028.92	
		891,091.44
Investments:		
Consisting of Ground Rents and Bonds		6,180.13
		$1,230,304.06

Liabilities.

Prepaid Accounts, etc.		
Subscriptions to Periodicals	$14,635.11	
William Hawkins Donation	15.19	
		$14,650.30
Accrued Interest:		
On William Bucknell Centennial Fund	$2,457.07	
On Religious Newspaper Fund	24.00	
On Ten Thousand Dollar Fund	730.74	
On Vincent Church Fund	68.70	
		3,286.51
Mortgages:		
On Real: William Building	[illegible]	
On Printing House	25,000.00	
		100,000.00
Branch Houses:		
Accrued Rent		300.00
Bills Payable		[illegible]
Total Liabilities		$122,736.81
Capital, March 31, 1915		1,116,567.25
		$1,239,304.06

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Contributions:		
Churches, Young People's Societies, and Sunday-schools (including Children's Day)		$101,788.62
Swedish Churches		935.63
Individuals (including $15,720.01 from M. C. Treat)	$22,765.25	
Mrs. Louise Little, Mrs. Sallie E. Lippincott, and Mrs. Harriet M. Hopper, Daughters of the late Wm. Bucknell, for Missionary Work	3,346.61	
		26,111.86
Legacies		1,540.42
Other Sources:		
Publishing Department		45,139.51
Contributions from Cooperative Conventions:		
Arizona Baptist State Convention	$174.56	
Colorado Baptist State Convention	626.33	
East Washington and North Idaho Baptist State Convention	480.60	
German Baptist Publication Society	75.67	
Idaho Baptist State Convention	138.13	
Illinois Baptist State Convention	1,340.26	
Iowa Baptist State Convention	399.84	
Kansas Baptist State Convention	939.60	
Nebraska Baptist State Convention	187.08	
Nevada Sierra Baptist Convention	59.61	
Northern California Baptist Convention	547.89	
Oregon Baptist State Convention	440.60	
Southern California Baptist Convention	557.79	
Western Washington Baptist Convention	241.43	
		6,209.39
Income from Permanent Funds:		
For Missionary and Sunday-school Work	$13,688.62	
For Grants	6,727.67	
For Crozer Memorial Fund	2,196.25	
		22,612.54
Income from Annuity Funds		14,345.09
Special Contributions for New Equipment, including Horses, Wagons, Automobiles, and Colportage Cruisers		10.600.00
Annuity Funds:		
Mrs. Nellie Blackman	$1,500.00	
Annie W. Bevan	500.00	
Mrs. Alice P. Brockway	10,000.00	
Henry R. Clissold	4,000.00	
Effie M. Crawford	2,000.00	
M. Etta Fiske	1,000.00	
Joseph E. French	3,000.00	
Ezekiel Harker	3,450.54	
Mrs. Virginia W. Holland (additional)	1,000.00	
Willard Harding	1,000.00	
Geo. W. Lawrence	1,000.00	
Jessie Marshall	400.00	
Lydia Marhsall	500.00	
Elisha M. White	29,308.25	
Anonymous	35,000.00	
Anonymous	800.00	
		94,458.79
Forward		$323,741.85

Amount brought forward		$343,741.87
Permanent:		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] Byam	[illegible]	1,000.00
[illegible] Crawford Chapel-car Fund	[illegible]	20,000.00
[illegible] Chapel-car Endowment Fund	[illegible]	3,000.75
[illegible] Diven	[illegible]	100.00
[illegible] Fevear	[illegible]	2,000.00
[illegible] Hartman	[illegible]	500.00
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		33,100.75
Miscellaneous:		
Book Sales by Missionaries (net)	$3,221.22	
Interest on Bank Balances	332.50	
		3,553.72
Transferred from Bible Department for work of Bible Colporters		1,250.00
		$301,645.30

BALANCES

Balances due Designated Funds for Special Purposes, March 31, 1915	$4,945.97	
Due from Contributor, included in receipts of 1915	3,472.59	
		$8,418.56
Less:		
Amount due from Contributor, included in receipts of 1914	$3,391.43	
Balances due Designated Funds for Special Purposes, March 31, 1914	2,537.79	
		5,899.22
		$2,519.34

PAYMENTS

General Missionary Work		
Salaries and Expenses of Superintendent of Sunday-school and Young People's Work	$52,338.79	
Salaries and Expenses of one hundred and forty-four Colporter Missionaries	78,533.60	
Salaries and Expenses of nineteen Chapel-car Missionaries	10,491.15	
Salaries and Expenses of five District Superintendents	21,404.83	
Pensions to Retired Missionaries	1,589.78	
		164,418.15
Expense Account:		
Missionary Expense Quotas of [illegible]	$271.71	
Paper and Printing	1,329.94	
Stationery	443.53	
Postage and Expressage	479.07	
Auditing	190.00	
Legal Expenses	7.20	
Traveling Expenses	971.90	
Office Equipment	62.67	
General	228.39	
		3,984.41
Chapel-car Repairs	$2,423.11	
Automobile Repairs and Equipment	3,332.46	
Colportage Motor Boat Repairs	[illegible]	
		7,160.07
Construction of Colportage Cruiser, Repairs, and Equipment		6,695.69
On account of construction of new steel Chapel Car "Grace"		[illegible]
Forward		$194,777.66

Amount brought forward		$194,777.66
Grants of Children's Day Exercises to Sunday-schools		3,351.82
Grants of Publications made from various Funds		4,050.16
Cooperative Work:		
Apportionment Committee of The Northern Baptist Convention	$955.37	
A. W. Anthony, D. D., Special Joint Secretary to Free Baptists	528.55	
Rev. P. H. J. Lerrigo, Joint Secretary, New England States	1,356.97	
Iowa Joint Agency	251.96	
Michigan Joint Agency	402.70	
Nebraska Joint Agency	245.26	
Wisconsin Joint Agency	195.67	
The Home Missions Council	45.00	
Joint Missionary Magazine, *Missions*	865.00	
Baptist Forward Movement Committee	1,333.32	
Northern Baptist Convention	37.26	
		6,217.06
City Institute Work		409.85
For the publication of Italian and Rumanian Papers		360.00
Paid to Annuitants		11,478.57
Accrued Interest on Investments		263.87
Interest on Temporary Loans		975.42
Taxes and Water Rent, Chicago Real Estate		157.81
Taxes and Water Rent, Philadelphia Real Estate		372.78
Insurance		769.55
Polish Literature for Grant Purposes		51.00
Invested in Securities on account of Permanent and Annuity Funds		120,526.47
Administration Expenses:		
Salary of Guy C. Lamson, D. D., Missionary and Bible Secretary	$4,000.00	
Salary of Bookkeeper, Stenographer, and Clerks	6,251.95	
Rent of Missionary and Bible Secretary's Offices	450.00	
Salary and Expenses of Rev. S. Z. Batten, Secretary of Social Service and Baptist Brotherhood, and rent of room	4,162.70	
One-half Salary and Expenses of Educational Secretary, Rev. W. E. Chalmers, Assistant, Stenographer, and rent of room	3,019.63	
		17,884.28
		$361,646.30

BIBLE DEPARTMENT

Unexpended Balances, March 31, 1914 ..... $5,650.11

RECEIPTS

Contributions:		
Churches, Young People's Societies, and Sunday-schools	$1,147.2[illegible]	
Individuals	1,992.7[illegible]	
		3,140.00
[illegible]		
[illegible] r Bible Work)	$2,702.46	
[illegible] und	2,591.42	
[illegible] and Testaments (from Donation Stock)		
		$14,386.25

PAYMENTS

[illegible] s Printed, Granted, and Sold		$3,502.66
[illegible]		
[illegible]		.02
[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]		110.[illegible]
[illegible]		119.76
[illegible]		47.50
[illegible]		1.[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible] Equipment		15.[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]
		[illegible]
[illegible] Colporters		[illegible]
[illegible] the Permanent Bible Fund		[illegible]
		$8,413.57

[illegible], March 31, 1915, in the following Funds:

[illegible]ent Bible Fund (for investment)		$2,600.00
[illegible] Fund (for Bible Work)	$88.58	
[illegible] Gospels	625.00	
[illegible]	1,725.00	
	2,438.58	
[illegible] Fund	25.00	
Memorial African Bible Fund	327.15	
[illegible]	216.22	
[illegible]	365.73	
		[illegible]
		[illegible]

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
IN THE
MISSIONARY AND BIBLE DEPARTMENTS
OF THE
AMERICAN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY
Fiscal Year ending March 31, 1915.

	For Budget Purposes	For Designated Purposes other than those of the Budget (Specifics)	For Permanent Endowment, the income only to be used	For Annuity Fund	Grand Totals
Churches, Sunday-schools, Young People's Societies, Women's Circles, Children's Day	$102,724.25	$1,147.24	.....	.....	$103,871.49
Individuals	26,111.86	12,592.76	$3,500.73	$94,458.79	136,664.14
Legacies	1,540.42	.....	29,600.00	.....	31,140.42
Matured Annuities	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Income from Permanent Funds	27,996.42	14,345.09	.....	.....	42,341.51
All Other Sources	55,114.88	.....	.....	.....	55,114.88
Totals	$213,487.83	$28,085.09	$33,100.73	$94,458.79	$369,132.44

BALANCE SHEET, MARCH 31, 1915
MISSIONARY AND BIBLE DEPARTMENTS

Cash in Bank and on hand		$10,018.95
Investments:		
Amount of Mortgages, Bonds, and Stocks, as detailed on page 64		987,321.72
Interest on Investments not due at close of year to December 31		954.27
Interest Receivable (Bible)		3,472.50
Mohawk Account:		
Book Debts	$100.00	
Cash in Bank	1,712.62	
Real Estate	388.78	
		2,201.40
		$1,004,568.63

Permanent Funds and Annuity Bonds in General Investment		$987,321.72
Funds Awaiting Investment		10,405.13
For Bible Work		2,438.58
Unexpended Interest:		
On Mortgage Bonds Fund	$45.00	
On Wm. C. Crawford Fund	75.86	
On Grant Funds	3,236.23	
On Bible Funds	934.10	
On Annuity Bonds	12.50	
		4,303.69
Special Funds:		
For the Purchase of New Equipment		99.51
		$1,004,568.63

SECURITIES

Held in Trust by the Missionary and Bible Departments of the Society, March 31, 1915, covering special donations and legacies, where the principal is to be kept permanently invested and the interest only to be applied as designated by the donor.

SECURITIES.	
First Mortgages Real Estate—Philadelphia, Pa	$530,000.00
" " " " Chester, Pa.	7,500.00
" " " " Minneapolis, Minn.	2,100.00
" " " " Narberth, Pa.	3,000.00
" " " " Morgan Park, Ill.	3,000.00
Chicago, Ill., Real Estate	10,600.00
Philadelphia, Pa., Real Estate	6,000.00
BONDS.	
Elmira & Williamsport 5%	10,000.00
Keystone Telephone Co., First Mortgage 5%	6,370.00
Detroit City Gas Co., General Mortgage 5%	4,925.00
Erie R. R. Co., 4%	20,000.00
Erie & Jersey R. R. Co., First Mortgage 6%	10,450.00
Erie R. R. Co., Equipment Trust 4½%	5,578.72
Vincennes Water Supply Co., First Mortgage 4½%	5,000.00
Cincinnati Gas Transportation Co., First Mortgage 5%	9,900.00
Marlborough & Westborough Street Railway Co., 5%	5,000.00
Atlantic City, N. J., Gas Co., First Mortgage 5%	13,750.00
Philadelphia Electric Co., 4%	11,557.38
Muncie Electric Light Co., First Mortgage 5%	9,400.00
Carbondale, Pa., Railway Co., General Mortgage 5%	1,000.00
Bethlehem Steel Co., First Mortgage 5%	9,400.00
Virginia Railway & Power Co., First Mortgage 5%	9,650.00
Burlington, Vt., Gas Light Co., First Mortgage 5%	15,000.00
Savannah Electric Co., First Consolidated Mortgage 5%	8,000.00
Northern Pacific, Great Northern R. R. Co., 4%	5,000.00
Southern Sierras Power Co., First Mortgage 6%	9,775.00
Canadian Northern Railway Equipment. (The Imperial Rolling Stock Co., Limited.) 4½%	2,822.87
International Navigation Co., First Mortgage 5%	5,000.00
Consolidated Gas Co. of Pittsburgh, Pa., 5%	5,000.00
Leavenworth Light, Heat, and Power Co., First Mortgage 5%	5,700.00
Duluth Edison Electric Co., First Mortgage 5%	5,000.00
New Chester Water Supply Co., 5%	5,000.00
Muskegon Traction & Lighting Co., First Mortgage 5%	2,000.00
Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co., First Mortgage 4½%	5,000.00
The Tri-City Railway & Light Co., Collateral Trust First Lien Sinking Fund 5%	5,000.00
The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., First Mortgage 5%	1,000.00
The Columbus Power Co., First Mortgage 5%	2,000.00
The American Falls Power, Light & Water Co., Limited, First Mortgage 6%	2,000.00
Colorado Springs Electric Co., First Mortgage 5%	9,800.00
Electric & People's Traction Co., 4%	5,000.00
Philadelphia Electric Co., Registered 5%	9,850.00
Wilmington Light & Power Co., First Mortgage 5%	7,120.00
Rockford, Beloit & Janesville R. R. Co., First Mortgage 5%	9,700.00
Columbus Electric Co., First Mortgage Collateral Trust 5%	14,000.00
Asheville Power & Light Co., First Mortgage 5%	4,750.00
Chicago & Eastern Illinois R. R. Co., First Consolidated Mortgage 6%	3,000.00
Railway Steel Spring Co., First Mortgage 5%	9,700.00
Philadelphia Co., Consolidated 5%	18,935.00
Portsmouth, Ohio, Water Works, 4%	2,000.00
Jacksonville Electric Co., First Mortgage 5%	5,000.00
Jersey City, Hoboken & Paterson Street Railway Co., First Mortgage 4%	6,885.00
Second Avenue Traction Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., First Mortgage 5%	5,000.00
Tampa Electric Co., First Mortgage 5%	1,000.00
Consolidated Traction Co. of New Jersey, 5%	3,000.00
Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., Annuity 4½%	9,000.00
Amount forward	$901,218.97

Amount brought forward	$901,218.97
[illegible] First Lien & Refunding 5%	9,000.00
[illegible] Haven & Muskegon Railway Co., First Mortgage 5%	3,750.00
Bangor & Aroostook R. R. Co., First Mortgage 5%	5,000.00
Pensacola Electric Co., First Mortgage 5%	2,000.00
Chicago Railways Co., First Mortgage 5%	1,000.00
[illegible]	[illegible]
Illinois Northern Utilities Co., First & Refunding Mortgage 5%	1,000.00
North Shore Electric Co., First & Refunding Mortgage 5%	1,000.00
The Indiana, Columbus & Eastern Traction Co., General & Refunding [illegible]	[illegible]
Paducah Traction & Lighting Co., Collateral Trust 5%	3,000.00
Terre Haute Traction & Light Co., First Consolidated Mortgage 5%	3,000.00
[illegible] Electric Corporation, Ten Year 5% Secured Gold Notes	3,000.00
New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. Co., Equipment Trust 6%	8,209.50
[illegible]	
[illegible] & Manufacturing Co.	3,050.25
Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co. (preferred)	6,435.00
[illegible]	1,850.00
[illegible] Co. (preferred)	3,059.50
American Woolen Co. (preferred)	2,445.00
[illegible]	1,957.50
Atchison, Topeka & Sante Fe Railway Co. (preferred)	1,000.00
Indiana Pipe Line Co.	210.00
[illegible] of Pittsburgh, Pa., National Association	2,045.00
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] of California	2,065.00
[illegible] Co.	210.00
[illegible] Line Co.	327.00
[illegible] Co.	412.00
[illegible]	
[illegible] Calvin Merrill	1,600.00
H. A. Ballou	[illegible]
Wm. C. Crowell	500.00
	$987,321.72
[illegible]	
In addition to the above securities we have cash on hand and on deposit awaiting investment	$10,405.13
[illegible] property in Santa Ana, Cal., in the process of [illegible] the county authorities of Santa Ana	4,000.00
	14,405.13
	$1,001,726.85

INVENTORY OF EQUIPMENT IN THE MISSIONARY AND BIBLE DEPARTMENTS

Chapel Cars	$56,900.00
Colportage Equipment (including [illegible])	[illegible]
Colportage Boats, Equipment	[illegible]
Automobiles	3,600.00
General Equipment	1,100.00
	$93,100.00

Auditor's Certificate

Philadelphia, April 30, 1915.

American Baptist Publication Society
1701-1703 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia

Dear Sirs:

We have the honor to report that we have audited the accounts of your Society, including those of the three Branches, for the fiscal year ended 31st of March, 1915, and found them to be correct.

The foregoing Balance Sheets and Statements are in accordance with the books of account. The Securities belonging to the Society were examined, and were all found to be on hand or in the custody of its agents.

Very truly yours

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY

Certified Public Accountants

NEW YORK PHILADELPHIA CHICAGO PITTSBURGH
SAN FRANCISCO SEATTLE LONDON

Permanent Funds and Donations

I. PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

PERMANENT FUNDS

These are donations to the Society invested in the Publishing Department, and on which it pays interest in grants of publications at catalogue prices.

Bucknell, William, Centennial.	$50,000.00	Ten Thousand Dollar	10,000.00
Religious Newspaper	400.00	Vincent Church	76.28

CONDITIONAL DONATIONS

These are donations to the Society invested in the Publishing Department, on which the Society pays a cash interest to the donors while they live; after their death interest will cease.

Allen, J. L.	$5,000.00	Pomeroy, William S.	2,323.66
Barrows, William	200.00	Quick, Hanna G.	200.00
Chilson, Gardner	200.00	Rappleye, Adoniram J.	300.00
Lyon, James M.	500.00	Troyer, William and Ione A.	500.00
Morford, Maggie	500.00	Wood, Mrs. Jane	3,000.00
Nye, Julia E.	1,000.00		

II. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

PERMANENT FUNDS

These donations are all invested, and the income is applied in each case to the purposes named by the donors.

Allen, J. L.	$1,000.00	Crawford Chapel-car Endowment	3,000.73
Anderson, S. V., Tract and Testament	[illegible]	Dakin, H. R.	850.00
Barber, Benjamin	[illegible]	Darling, Rhoda	3,000.00
Barney, Martin B.	[illegible]	Davis, Isaac	3,000.00
Barney, Mary G., Memorial ..	[illegible]	Davis, Jonathan, Colporter ...	2,300.00
Beckwith, Harriet M., Memorial	[illegible]	Dunbar Missionary	500.00
Bradley, Spencer H.	[illegible]	Diven, Ann B.	200.00
Brooks, Martha	[illegible]	Fiske, Theron, Colporter	2,500.00
Bruce, Ellick	[illegible]	Fiske, Grace	1,500.00
Burke, R. F.	[illegible]	Fiske, Abbie	5,500.00
Burke, Geo. W.	[illegible]	Fletcher, Mrs. John	200.00
Burnham, Charles	1,000.00	Fletcher, Richard, Colporter ..	5,500.00
Byam, Charles F.	[illegible]	For His Sake	10,000.00
Carpenter, Mrs. Harriet E. ..	2,000.00	Foster, Margaret S.	6,000.00
Chapel-car Endowment	2,160.00	Gates, Marcius A.	2,000.00
Chilson, Gardner, Book and Tract	60,000.00	General Tract	1,000.00
Craine, Mrs. Marinda A.	1,500.00	Gray, Mrs. Fay, Missionary and Colporter	20,000.00
Craine, Tower W.	1,000.00	Gray, Mrs. Fay, Students' Library	20,000.00
Crozer Ministers' Library	10,000.00	Gray, Mrs. Fay, Pacific Coast.	20,000.00
Crozer, John P., Memorial ...	50,000.00	Hale, John V.	1,000.00
Crozer, Samuel A., Memorial.	5,000.00	Hawkins, William, Missionary.	8,000.00
Crozer Sunday-school Library.	11,000.00	Hartman, Louisa L.	5,000.00
Crosby, Mrs. C. S.	500.00	Hawkins, William, Ministers' Library	21,125.00
Crawford, Will C., Chapel-car Fund	20,000.00	Hinchman, Joseph V.	8,000.00

Howard, James L.	$2,500.00
Ives, Franklin B.	500.00
Jacobs, William, Permanent Church	1,000.00
Jones, Lewis E. and Mary J.	
Kingsley, Chester W.	25,000.00
Kline, Father and Mother, German Tract	200.00
Lyon, Elizabeth A.	600.00
Maryland Missionary	1,000.00
Mead, Sarah A., Chapel-car	250.00
Mendenhall, Nannie, Memorial	2,000.00
Merrick, Austin	13,500.00
Merrill, J. Warren, Ministers' Library	10,000.00
Merrill, Calvin	1,833.33
Mills, Thomas L.	150.00
Ministers' Library	12,695.00
Mitchell, P. L.	4,000.00
Mizpah Bible Class, Chapel-car	84.00
Mulford, Emeline	500.00
Nicholas, Chas. H.	1,000.00
Nugent, Geo., Sunday-school Help	2,000.00
Patton, Samuel, Colporter	2,000.00
Peaslee, Emily	1,200.00
Perfect, Mrs. Ellen	500.00
Pevear, Henry	2,000.00
Pickford, Deacon Chas. J., Memorial	1,000.00
Pillsbury, Geo. A.	5,000.00
Pike, Benjamin, Memorial Colporter	5,000.00
Pomeroy, Wm. S.	2,000.00
Proctor, Joel	6,000.00
Randall, Helen M., Ministers' Library	21,500.00
Ramsey, Chas.	3,500.00
Reed, Elizabeth	50.00
Riggs, D. W.	4,500.00
Robb, Joseph	500.00
Sharp, Sarah A.	500.00
Sheaf, Amy A.	1,000.00
Shirk, Milton	1,000.00
Sherman, Geo. J., Colporter	500.00
Sleeper, Geo., Memorial	10,000.00
Taylor, Mary F., Tract	250.00
Thorn, Mrs. John, Memorial Ministers' Library	5,000.00
Thorne, John	5,000.00
Tilton, Peter, Missionary	750.00
Tilton, Mrs. Peter	2,000.00
Turner, Lucy	500.00
Tyler, Chas.	5,000.00
Waterbury, F. W.	500.00
Waters, Horace	4,750.00
White, Mrs. Ellen M.	1,500.00
Willett, Mary H.	500.00
Wilson, William V.	5,000.00
Wild, Joseph	5,000.00
	$518,848.06

ANNUITY FUNDS

These are donations to the Missionary work, on which the Society pays interest while the donors live.

Anonymous	$51,000.00
Anonymous	800.00
Ambler, J. V., Memorial Ministers' Library	30,500.00
Anderson, Jacob	200.00
Ashley, Miss L. M.	1,200.00
Bailey, Mrs. Mary Alice	1,000.00
Bertolett, Elizabeth J.	2,000.00
Blackman, Mrs. Nellie	1,500.00
Bevan, Mrs. Annie W.	500.00
Bonney, Benjamin and Lucinda	10,500.00
Brockway, Mrs. Alice P.	20,000.00
Butcher, Washington, Memorial	11,000.00
Chittenden, Lavinia S. and Catherine, Bible and Colporter	5,000.00
Clark, Bertha R.	2,000.00
Clissold, Henry Rowland	4,000.00
Crawford, Mrs. Effie M.	2,000.00
Cooley, Darwin H.	3,000.00
Danenhower, J. W.	1,000.00
Doane, W. Howard	50,000.00
Ehlers, Mrs. Mary A.	1,000.00
Fish, J. L. A.	1,000.00
Fiske, M. Etta	1,000.00
French, Joseph E.	3,000.00
Geil, Wm. E.	5,000.00
Harker, Ezekiel	8,170.54
Harding, Willard	1,000.00
Hartmann, L. B.	4,000.00
Hazen, Mrs. Zillie	5,000.00
Holland, Mrs. Virginia W.	6,000.00
Lansing, Richard E.	1,000.00
Lawrence, Geo. W.	5,000.00
Lewis, Jane C.	500.00
Marshall, Jessie	400.00
Marshall, Lydia	500.00
Mills, Chauncey L.	700.00
McNichol, Sarah A.	500.00
Nye, Julia E., Missionary and Chapel-car	4,000.00
Pickford, Anna M.	20,000.00
Potter, L. Jane	500.00
Rhoades, Charles	10,000.00
Rice, Sylvester	500.00
Richardson, Harriot V.	5,000.00
Rogers, Alexander W.	2,000.00
Sharp, Charlotte E.	100.00
Shepardson, F. Wayland	2,000.00
Snyder, Louise	250.00
Spalding, V. M. and Effie S.	2,000.00
Springsted, Mason	3,000.00
Thomas Missionary and Bible	36,000.00
Wichser, J., Memorial	500.00
White, Elisha M.	29,308.25
Wilder, Charles	1,200.00
Wrigley, Sarah	1,000.00
	$358,328.79

III. BIBLE DEPARTMENT

PERMANENT FUNDS

Barnes, Joel S.	$9,600.00
Dwight, E. P.	5,000.00
Gale, Emily Stone, Bible	3,000.00
Hurlin, William, and Wife, Bible	1,000.00
In His Name	5,000.00
Memorial African Bible	327.15
Merriam, Mrs. Sybil A., Bible	1,000.00
Permanent Bible Fund	60,600.00
Randall, May F., Memorial	30.00
Simpson, Samuel	4,000.00
Special for Printing Spanish Gospel	216.22
Trevor, M. Randall, Memorial	20,000.00
Trevor, M. R., M. D., Memorial	1,000.00
Waterhouse, C. W.	700.00
	$142,093.37

ANNUITY AND CONDITIONAL FUNDS

Chinese New Testament Revision	$250.00
New Testament Revision	365.73
Sheldon, D. Henry, Bible	1,000.00
Williams, John, Bible and Tract	5,000.00
	$6,365.73

FORM OF LEGACY

"I give and bequeath to the AMERICAN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY, located in the city of Philadelphia, the sum of ..... dollars, to be appropriated to the charitable uses and purposes of said Society, under the direction of the Board of Managers."

TABLE OF MISSIONARY WORKERS

COLPORTER MISSIONARIES	FIELDS OF LABOR	Days of service	Miles traveled	Families visited	Churches visited
Alexander, Walter R. ..	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	103	2,000	27	.....
Alf, Rev. G. A.	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	152	.....	178	48
Ambrosimoff, Paul W.	Pittsburgh Association	197	.....	206	12
Anutta, Rev. M.	Wisconsin, among Poles	365	2,693	2,948	33
Arthur, Rev. Luther ...	Nevada, Wagon No. 69	25	532	102	3
Backlund, Rev. L. M. ..	Kansas, Wagon No. 38	365	4,176	725	51
Banich, Rev. Geo.	Pittsburgh Association	357	.....	1,624	180
Barrett, Rev. W. H. ...	New York State Convention	349	3,041	644	23
Bayless, Rev. W. C. ...	Tennessee	365	2,950	871	53
Bayles, Rev. W. H. ...	West Virginia	90	603	184	26
Beuermann, Rev. J. A. .	Buffalo, N. Y.	334	1,246	4,467	42
Blomquist, Rev. Andrew	Wisconsin and Minnesota, among Finns	365	10,438	1,028	46
Boord, Rev. Thos. E. ..	Pennsylvania, Wagon No. 78	346	5,042	611	53
Brazda, Rev. Chas.	Chicago, Ill., and vicinity	362	2,960	2,016	62
Briggs, J. T.	Ohio, Wagon No. 66	136	1,123	1,504	39
Brock, Rev. Earl E. ...	Wyoming, Wagon No. 58	365	4,356	616	28
Brown, Rev. F. R.	Montana, Wagon No. 73	338	6,354	1,165	33
Bruckmann, Rev. F. ...	Montana, Wagon No. 68	358	4,414	3,028	29
Buffa, Rev. Paul L. ...	New York City Baptist Mission Society	365	.....	1,566	122
Byram, Rev. F. N.	Iowa, Wagon No. 8	365	8,129	1,103	47
Capek, N. F.	New York City Baptist Mission Society	242	.....	279	20
Chamberlin, Rev. M. ...	Southern Idaho, Wagon No. 71	330	5,396	1,277	30
Chase, Amos F.	Rhode Island, Wagon No. 52	209	2,306	478	61
Chauvez, José Abraham.	Temuco, Chili	273	197	427	.....
Chiera, Geo.	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	61	22	95	.....
Cosman, Rev. P. L. ...	Rhode Island, Wagon No. 52	64	709	336	11
Cox, Rev. E. E.	Idaho, Wagon No. 5	365	6,084	4.258	125
Cruger, Ellis E.	Washington and Idaho, Wagon No. 20	343	3,621	1,482	43
Cundy, Percival	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	61	320	6	3
Dodge, Rev. M. W.	Western Kansas, Wagon No. 50	325	3,944	784	54
Di Domenica, Rev. A. .	Philadelphia Pa., Baptist City Mission	304	.....	552	14
Duley, Rev. E. E.	Southern California, Automobile No. 3	275	6,266	1,248	69
Dulitz, Rev. N.	New York City Baptist Mission Society	365	28,197	947	43
Evanson, Rev. N. V. ..	Northern and Central California, Automobile No. 9	90	1,204	145	10
Fabian, Rev. Michael ..	Scranton, Pa., City Mission Society ..	365	5,662	649	17
Fandrich, Rev. Adolf ..	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	182	.....	264	.....
Festa, Rev Frank P. ..	Pittsburgh Association	347	1,920	1,723	1
Fischer, Rev. Carl	Wyoming, Wagon No. 62	365	4,175	607	44
Fort, John	Chicago, Ill.	280	150	6,960	36
Forziati, Rev. B.	Pittsburgh Association	357	858	1,150	8
Gardner, Rev. C. M. ..	California	327	9,844	5,048	48
Greene, Rev. C. L.	Missouri, Wagon No. 44	365	2,785	617	38
Guinn, Rev. Wm. L. ..	Arizona, Wagon No. 15	154	1,722	883	34
Hall, Rev. G. Leroy ...	Oregon, Cruiser No. 1	365	3,019	1,221	.....
Hanson, Rev. Harry J. .	Montana, Wagon No. 74	365	7,583	1,574	66
Hardy, Rev. J. F.	Washington, Wagon No. 72	183	5,618	1,456	32
Hedeen, Rev. John	Illinois, Wagon No. 39	365	4,050	1,749	49
Hill, Rev. C. J.	North Dakota, Auto No. 7	365	10,716	737	51
Hodges, Rev. J. S.	Franklin Association, No. 42	365	2,873	572	52
Hopson, Rev. Estelle ..	Montana, Wagon No. 67	153	1,675	530	11
Houghton. Rev. W. E. .	Indiana, Wagon No. 9	322	5,031	1,891	56
Howell, W. R.	Washington, Cruiser No. 3	365	6,358	427	48
Hult, Rev. S. A.	Wisconsin, among Swedes	365	13,390	1,252	78
Hunt, Rev. Nathan	Maine, Wagon No. 56	91	.....	.....	.....
Jackson, Rev. S. Y. ...	Colorado, Wagon No. 59	316	2,694	1,571	50
Johnson, Rev. G. Frank	New York State Convention	365	6,850	560	84
Jordan, Rev. J. A.	Missouri, Wagon No. 7	324	2,473	950	47
Jorgensen, Rev. Peter .	Utah, Wagon No. 45	365	2,739	4,418	30
Judkins, Rev. J. F. ...	Nebraska, Wagon No 13	365	4,536	683	17
Kiss, Alexander	Chicago, Ill., and vicinity	301	1,174	2,844	149

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Sunday-school visited	
Prayer meetings attended	
Associations attended	
Conventions attended	
Sermons preached	
Addresses delivered	
Persons confessed conversion in homes	
Persons confessed conversion in meetings	
Persons added to churches by baptism	
Sunday-schools organized	
Churches organized	
Children's meetings held	
Families and individuals destitute of Bibles	
Bibles, Testaments, and books given away	
Tracts given away, pages	
Bibles, Testaments, and books sold	

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COLPORTER MISSIONARIES	FIELDS OF LABOR	Days of service	Miles traveled	Families visited	Churches visited
Koundourianes, Vasil ..	New York City Baptist Mission Society	61	.....	57	.....
Kovacs, Nicholas	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	365	168	875	12
Krzanowski, Walter ...	Buffalo, N. Y., Baptist Union	365	.....	2,177	18
Kuemmet, Rev. E. J. ..	Washington and Idaho	352	3,033	4,151	63
Layton, Rev. A. A.	Colorado, Wagon No. 57	25	522	227	1
Levine, Rev. M.	Pittsburgh Association	168	726	662	8
Levine, Rev. M.	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	90	26	264	4
Limes, Rev. J. L.	Southern California, Automobile No. 3	121	2,939	830	17
Lodsin, Rev. M. E. ...	New York City Baptist Mission Society	265	2,597	1,233	51
Lomax, Rev. Benjamin .	Vermont, Automobile No. 4	358	6,430	603	65
Loree, Rev. D.	Oregon, Automobile No. 8	365	5,613	1,183	31
McAllister, Rev. John ..	Utah, Wagon No. 46	335	1,880	3,553	30
McKee, Rev. C. H.	Oregon, Wagon No. 41	365	4,014	2,318	31
McKee, Leo E.	Arizona	360	7,552	989	69
McNeill, Rev. E. F. ...	Kansas, Wagon No. 43	326	7,411	2,273	74
Malakonoff, Paul	Los Angeles, Cal.	119	.....	200	13
Marchant, Rev. C. J. ..	Maine	365	2,950	804	112
Martin, Rev. J. M. P. .	Colorado, Wagon No. 77	365	6,592	782	24
May, Rev. S. D.	Wyoming, Wagon No. 63	365	12,991	1,100	52
Miller, Rev. W. H.	Ohio, Wagon No. 66	204	1,195	1,191	45
Morze, Rev. A. S.	Pennsylvania State Mission Board	59	.....	636	50
Nelson, Rev. E.	Colorado, Wagon No. 35	300	5,279	822	64
Newton, Rev. Wm. F...	Connecticut Baptist Convention, Auto mobile No. 2	228	5,022	492	23
Nichols, Rev. M. L. ...	Kansas, Wagon No. 33	365	2,760	862	49
Nutahara, Rev. Kameji .	Washington, among the Japanese	365	5,366	1,690	74
Ohrn, Rev. A. A.	Minnesota, among the Danes and Norwegians, Wagon No. 32	365	19,140	778	103
Olson, Rev. E. W.	Nebraska, among the Swedes, Wagon No. 54	365	8,157	1,226	67
Parks, Rev. W. E.	Montana, Automobile No. 5	292	7,860	1,272	45
Peake, Rev. John M. A.	Nevada, Wagon No. 69	274	3,501	1,093	27
Perala, Arved	New York City Baptist Mission Society	365	.....	1,042	.....
Person, Rev. P. S.	Minnesota, among the Scandinavians, Wagon No. 24	365	4,576	232	41
Phillips, Elizabeth J. ..	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	55	.....	151	.....
Pope, Rev. R. P.	Arizona, Wagon No. 15	95	795	810	13
Reut, John	Brooklyn and Queen's Church Extension Society	48	.....	190	4
Rowland, Rev. A. V. ..	Indiana, Wagon No. 37	320	3,304	934	53
Saltanelli, P. E.	Brooklyn and Queen's Church Extension Society	46	.....	180	.....
Sargent, Rev. A. H. ...	Southern California, Automobile No. 1	168	5,410	1,371	26
Scalera, Rev. Saverio ..	New York City Baptist Mission Society	365	.....	1,551	.....
Scherbaum, Helen	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	55	.....	75	5
Schroder, Rev. John S..	South Dakota, Automobile No. 6	365	12,776	754	33
Selegean, Theo.	Indiana Baptist Board of City Missions	305	2,665	414	30
Sing, Rev. Sum	San Francisco, Cal., among the Chinese	365	803	2,529	17
Skriescka, Rev. Geo. C..	New York City Baptist Mission Society	61	.....	107	.....
Slabey, Rev. Andrew P.	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	274	.....	366	12
Slabey, Rev. A. P., Sr..	Philadelphia, Pa. Baptist City Mission	91	.....	138	9
Space, Rev. Z. A.	Among the Baptists in Central Association, New York	365	1,600	.....	.....
Speed, Rev. John B. ...	Northern California, Automobile No. 9	243	2,840	3,012	63
Stewart, Rev. Wm. F. .	Delaware, Wagon No. 55	365	5,091	1,726	110
Stiansen, P.	Brooklyn and Queen's Church Extension Society	40	.....	52	1
Stocking, Rev. E. E. ..	Northern California, Wagon No. 70 ..	365	10,604	3,260	71
Story, Rev. W. E.	California, Cruiser No. 2	325	6,694	1,377	.....
Stumpf, Rev. L.	Pittsburgh Association	365	2,095	1,011	57
Szilagy, Geo.	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	57	.....	118	4

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COLPORTER MISSIONARIES	FIELDS OF LABOR	Days of service	Miles traveled	Families visited	Churches visited
Taylor, Rev. J. W.	Colorado, Wagon No. 57	275	3,303	1,416	24
Thompson, Rev. R. J. .	New York State Convention	274	6,427	431	88
Tipton, Rev. Arthur ...	Wyoming, Sheridan District, Wagon No. 64	219	3,092	673	13
Todd, Rev. John G. ...	Colorado, Wagon No. 60	365	4,881	849	26
Tuczek, K.	New York City Baptist Mission Society	321	.....	504	.....
Tull, Rev. M. E.	Western Washington	365	9,402	1,915	49
Van Vleet, Rev. Bert S.	New York State Convention	365	6,615	690	51
Vaughan, Retta	Boston, Mass., City Mission Society ..	245	.....	2,933	31
Wakeham, Rev. N.	Montana, Wagon No. 67	365	6,268	2,135	29
Wallace, Rev. T. A. ...	Wyoming, Wagon No 65	296	8,127	361	49
Wank, Rev. John	Northern Indiana	183	1,714	957	175
Ward, D. P.	California	365	12,200	225	63
Watt, Rev. Geo. H.	New Hampshire, Wagon No. 40	365	3,565	1,280	76
Welsh, J. Elwood	Philadelphia, Pa., Baptist City Mission	45	.....	38	3
Wernicke, Rev. H. E. .	East Washington and North Idaho, Wagon No. 72	57	1,269	276	11
Whirry, Rev. J. L.	Oregon, Wagon No. 23	365	16,455	4,828	69
Williams, Rev. W. F. ..	Michigan, Upper Peninsula, Wagon No. 1	321	8,435	338	35
Wilson, Rev. J. E.	New York State Convention	359	.....	749	32
Wittet, Rev. Geo. L. ..	Michigan	365	7,507	506	130
Woldhagen, Rev. N. H.	Western Washington, among Danes and Norwegians	365	11,590	2,430	40
Wolf, Rev. Joseph	Cleveland, Ohio, City Mission Society	365	690	424	46
Total, 144 colporter missionaries		36,856	520,735	156,964	5,270

In addition to the above table, there are employed by the Society ten Chinamen, under the auspices of the China Baptist Publication Society of Canton, China. The Society appropriates $500 a year for their support.

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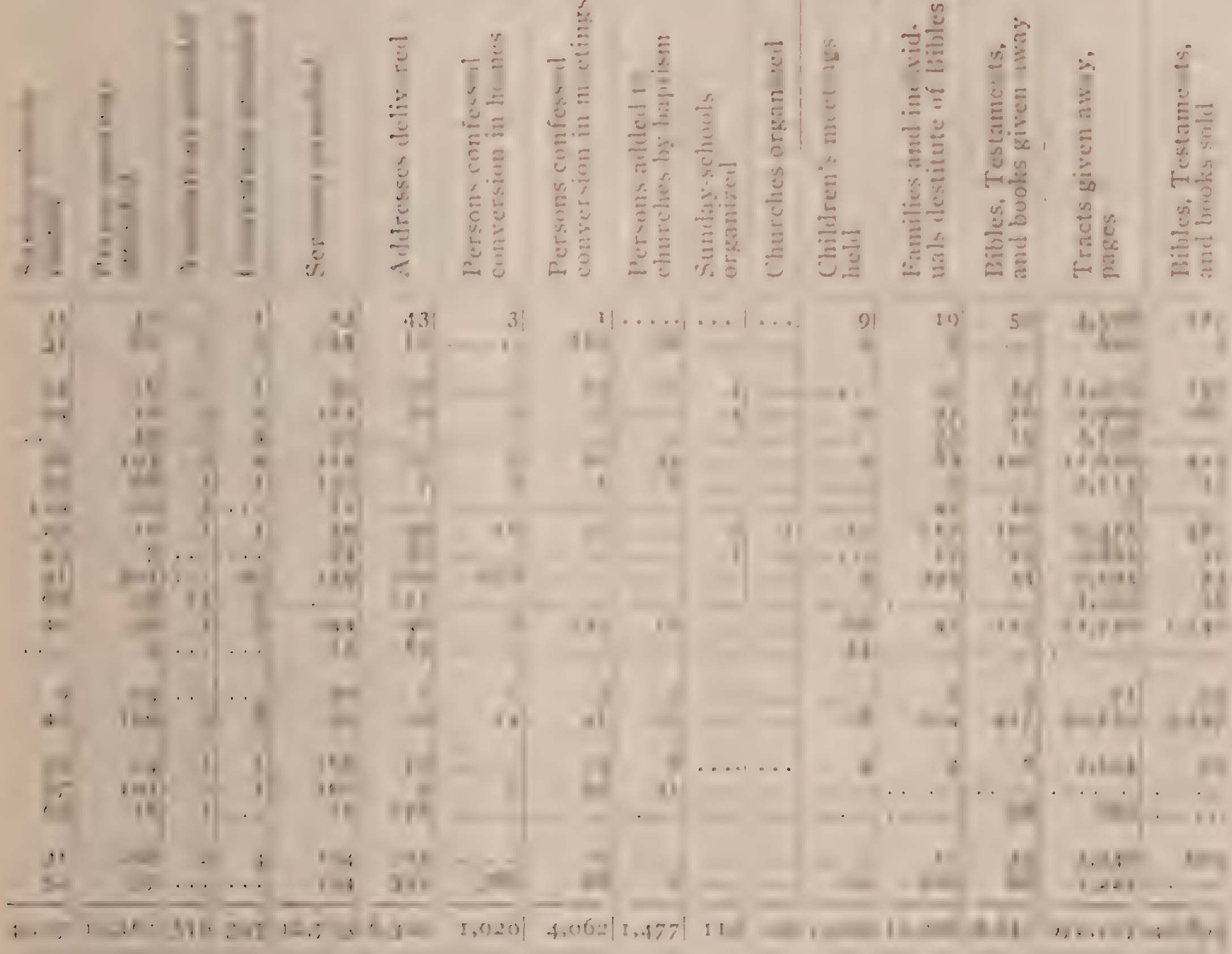


TABLE OF MISSIONARY WORKERS

DIRECTORS OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK	FIELDS OF LABOR	Days of service	Miles traveled	Churches visited	Families visited	Sermons and addresses	Professed conversions
Baber, J. A., Ph. D.	Southern California	153	10,200	49	4	70	.....
Barnhart, Rev. E. E.	North Dakota	365	23,279	64	348	260	41
Berglund, Rev. M.	Minnesota	365	23,865	171	260	411	17
Bolvig, Rev. C. H.	Minnesota	365	12,891	44	1,163	377	20
Brockway, Meme	Superintendent of Elementary Work	354	33,811	70	.....	280	.....
Burgess, Rev. Magnus	Michigan	365	14,271	142	111	213	.....
Callaway, Rev. L. W.*	Alabama	349	3,195	85	261	112	5
Clark, Rev. L. G.	Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming	365	24,574	133	284	342	14
Collins, Rev. J. D.	Nebraska	365	9,777	100	145	420	.....
Edmunds, Rev. E. B.	Wisconsin	365	5,845	12	248	29	.....
Engberg, Rev. P. E.	Eastern States, among Swedes	365	9,187	112	1,301	351	121
Flood, Rev. Ivan P.	New Jersey	56	2,216	39	.....	53	61
Gurley, Rev. J. M.	Kansas	365	19,800	131	137	327	7
Hagen, Rev. Thos. H.	South Dakota	365	16,660	80	363	280	39
Holmes, Wilson A.	Ohio	365	15,749	92	127	267	.....
Holtz, Rev. A. A.	Wisconsin	354	15,397	81	.....	192	.....
Lapham, Prof. J. A.	Iowa	365	16,775	74	26	263	.....
Leavell, Leonard O.	Maryland Baptist Union	365	6,824	81	.....	331	.....
Monbeck, Rev. W. E.	Eastern Washington and North Idaho	305	14,416	131	152	228	19
Morris, Rev. W. B.	Illinois	333	16,994	153	141	269	119
Palm, Rev. Chas.	Chicago, Ill., and vicinity	329	11,239	90	262	336	11
Peters, Rev. L. E.	West Virginia	153	1,099	8	9	46	.....
Peterson, Rev. Ferd F.	Massachusetts	105	2,024	21	.....	97	114
Phillips, Rev. C. M.	Missouri, Wm. Jewell College	365	16,485	75	.....	626	1
Risinger, Rev. W. E.	Minnesota	365	18,130	159	331	378	70
Roberts, Rev. E. R.*	South Carolina	365	10,626	81	111	207	7
Roberts, Rev. S. L.	Indiana	365	21,716	152	144	411	2
Scott, D. A., D. D.*	Texas, among the colored people	365	16,345	73	100	281	55
Sly, Rev. Wm. J.	Colorado and Southern Wyoming	365	17,363	183	173	403	27
Springston, Rev. J. D.	Washington and Oregon	365	24,044	94	167	463	13
Stephenson, E. M., D.D.	Pennsylvania and adjacent states	365	20,974	148	.....	453	84
Talley, Rev. M. A.*	North Carolina	365	10,298	123	199	313	2
Thomas, M. L., D. D.	Northern California	365	20,874	167	353	354	136
Valentine, Rev. L. P.	Southern California	333	8,120	140	112	163	5
Vass, S. N., D. D.*	Superintendent of colored work	365	12,651	106	612	349	1
Walker, Rev. T. C.*	Virginia	365	9,521	107	248	317	.....
Watts, Rev. Thos. J.	Missouri	61	3,590	11	.....	48	.....
Whitelock, Rev. H. R.	Maine	357	10,189	162	206	231	106
Whitelock, Mrs. H. R.	Maine	31	54	1	.....	6	.....
Williams, Rev. D. C.	Arizona, Nevada, and Utah.	365	37,262	152	1,118	210	.....
Withers, Rev. A. B.	West Virginia	365	14,872	136	225	261	20
Total, 41 Directors of Sunday-school and Young People's Work		13,328	583,202	4,033	9,441	11,028	1,117

* Colored.

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	Young people's societies reported	Standard adopted	S. S. organized	Young people's societies organized	Vols. added S. S. libr.	Institutes held	Days in institutes	Teacher-training classes organized	Correspondence students enrolled	Adult classes organized	Home Departments organized	Cradle rolls organized	Circulars and tracts distributed	Bibles and books sold	Bibles and Testaments given away

TABLE OF MISSIONARY WORKERS

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS	Sermons and addresses	Letters written	Circulars sent
Jacobs, Rev. Joe P., Western Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Wyoming	195	3,300	12,200
Ketman, T. L., D. D., Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin .	315	11,579	23,080
Neil, Rev. S. G., Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Southern New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia	288	9,746	32,087
Pratt, W. W., D. D., Northern New Jersey and New York ..	209	9,800	19,550
White, Rev. Geo. L., Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington	147	9,382	41,374
Total	1,154	43,807	128,291

CHAPEL-CAR

CHAPEL CARS	Days of service	Miles traveled	Meetings held	Sermons	Addresses
No. 1. Chapel Car Evangel, Rev. J. C. Killian and wife	365	9,305	553	393	66
No. 2. Chapel Car Emmanuel, Rev. E. R. Hermiston and wife	349	11,150	383	202	181
No. 3. Chapel Car Glad Tidings, Rev. J. S. Davis and wife ..	365	4,036	319	260	98
No. 4. Chapel Car Good Will, Rev. J. Franklin Day and wife	91	3,652	45	72	57
No. 4. Chapel Car Good Will, Rev. W. C. Driver and wife ..	146	1,415	194	147	18
No. 4. Chapel Car Good Will, Lee Crownover, assistant	30	934	.....	.....	...
No. 4. Chapel Car Good Will, Barbara E. Day, assistant	30	.....	.....	.....	...
No. 4. Chapel Car Good Will, William Lickey, assistant	31	167	1	1	...
No. 5. Chapel Car Messenger of Peace, Rev. Thomas R. Gale and wife	365	6,319	402	336	61
No. 6. Chapel Car Herald of Hope, Rev. Walter J. Sparks and wife	214	4,381	151	134	48
No. 6. Chapel Car Herald of Hope, Rev. William F. Newton and wife	90	1,083	102	75	4
Total, 6 Chapel Cars	2,076	42,420	2,150	1,620	533

No. 1. Now operating in Kansas.
No. 2. Now operating in California.
No. 3. Now operating in Wyoming.
No. 4. Now operating in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho.
No. 5. Now operating in Northern California.
No. 6. Now operating in West Virginia.

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Pastoral	Sunday-schools [illegible]	Sunday-school Officers	Sunday-school Institutes	Addresses tended	Sermons tions	Addresses tions	States visited	Miles
14	48	14	3	20	8	3	20	4[illegible].572
180	44	4	19	27	7	4	26	[illegible]
108	46	8	11	11	3	4	15	[illegible]
144	85	7	25	15	3	4	19	21,800
100	41	4	14	8	10	3	30	[illegible]
646	304	49	72	81	31	18	101	66,372

DEPARTMENT

Letters written	Families visited	Families with [illegible] Secured	Supplies distributed	Pages of [illegible] distributed	Books distributed	Papers and Cards distributed	Baptisms	Additions other- wise	Students [illegible]	Pastors settled	Members secured	Churches organized	[illegible]	Children's meetings held
1,561	2,413	41	3	1,813	.....	2,7[illegible]	....	31	121	1	.....	.....	.....	92
117	192	....	2	3,[illegible]	.....	1,[illegible]	....	12	[illegible]	.....	1	1	1	55
10[illegible]	123	36	2	5,036	.....	.....	16	.....	84	.....	.....	.....	1	31
3,788	6,157	145	821	52,937	107	9,015	305	186	962	8	30	47	9	260

GRANTS FOR YEAR 1914-1915

GRANTS BY BIBLE DEPARTMENT

Copies of the Holy Scriptures; as Bibles, Testaments, and Parts Including Common, Canterbury, and Bible Union Versions, and in Various Languages

591 Grants, 18,567 Copies. Total, $3,735.68.

STATES	Grants	Copies	Amount	STATES	Grants	Copies	Amount
Alabama	6	169	$29.36	Nebraska	6	81	$24.20
Alaska	2	100	34.77	Nevada	4	160	30.67
Arizona	17	561	112.59	New Hampshire	16	213	25.37
Arkansas	1	20	6.37	New Jersey	19	525	115.02
California	33	1,587	298.59	New York	22	1,124	298.71
Colorado	16	799	107.61	North Carolina	49	861	205.54
Connecticut	16	533	117.34	North Dakota	5	265	73.36
Delaware	6	185	26.55	Ohio	24	789	175.58
District of Columbia	1	25	2.80	Oklahoma	5	130	23.40
Florida	4	40	12.71	Oregon	13	586	101.01
Georgia	15	435	80.03	Pennsylvania	64	931	213.13
Idaho	9	201	52.07	Rhode Island	3	89	17.43
Illinois	17	677	158.55	South Carolina	16	337	74.96
Indiana	10	310	88.21	South Dakota	3	86	34.57
Iowa	10	948	46.86	Tennessee	3	114	22.40
Kansas	16	958	151.16	Texas	1	24	12.56
Kentucky	4	122	29.37	Utah	8	100	29.85
Louisiana	3	95	20.14	Vermont	4	53	20.26
Maine	3	175	24.61	Virginia	20	407	92.42
Maryland	7	154	32.90	Washington	17	433	92.56
Massachusetts	13	900	109.65	West Virginia	13	253	46.41
Michigan	4	50	20.82	Wisconsin	7	173	64.29
Minnesota	18	483	107.61	Wyoming	9	350	78.03
Mississippi	1	80	22.05	Assam	1	12	14.98
Missouri	13	375	62.44	British West Indies.	1	30	10.90
Montana	13	459	82.91				

GRANTS BY MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

CROZER SUNDAY-SCHOOL LIBRARY FUND

16 Grants. Total, $206.10.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Arkansas	1	$15.00	New Jersey	1	$15.00
Iowa	1	15.00	Pennsylvania	1	12.20
Maine	8	94.70	Vermont	2	24.20
Minnesota	1	15.00	Canada	1	15.00

CROZER MEMORIAL FUND, No. 3

14 Grants. Total, $68.75.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
[illegible]	1	$4.15	South Carolina	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	1	1.50	Tennessee	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kentucky	1	1.00	Virginia	[illegible]	[illegible]
North Carolina	2	8.35	West Virginia	[illegible]	[illegible]

BAPTIST MINISTERS' LIBRARY FUND

126 Grants. Total, [illegible]

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
[illegible]	4	$9.60	North Dakota	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	1	7.10	Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	3	5.30	Oklahoma	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	6	5.57	Pennsylvania	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	1	4.35	Rhode Island	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	5	28.15	South Carolina	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	5	22.80	South Dakota	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	5	5.75	Texas	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	2	2.70	Virginia	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	1	2.50	Vermont	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	3	5.65	Washington	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maryland	1	2.00	West Virginia	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	4	30.35	Wisconsin	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	2	15.20	Wyoming	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	1	3.10	Assam	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	1	.50	Australia	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8	24.53	Brazil	[illegible]	[illegible]
New York	2	7.75	Hungary	[illegible]	[illegible]
North Carolina	13	28.04			

THE ISAAC DAVIS FUND

43 Grants. Total, $101.74

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Colorado	4	$10.00	New Hampshire	5	[illegible]
Connecticut	2	7.00	New York	2	[illegible]
Delaware	1	1.00	North Carolina	2	[illegible]
Florida	1	1.00	Ohio	5	[illegible]
Maine	1	1.50	Pennsylvania	7	[illegible]
Maryland	1	1.00	Rhode Island	1	[illegible]
Massachusetts	2	5.80	South Carolina	1	[illegible]
Michigan	1	1.00	South Dakota	2	[illegible]
Minnesota	1	2.50	Wyoming	1	[illegible]
Missouri	1	1.00	Canada	1	[illegible]
Montana	2	[illegible]			

THE MARY G. BARNEY MEMORIAL FUND

28 Grants. Total, $113.86.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Connecticut	1	$40.00	North Carolina	3	$1.75
Illinois	1	.50	Ohio	1	1.00
Indiana	1	3.32	Pennsylvania	2	9.43
Kansas	1	4.94	South Carolina	1	.75
Michigan	3	6.52	Virginia	1	4.16
Minnesota	1	8.98	West Virginia	4	17.57
Montana	2	5.90	Wyoming	2	2.76
New York	2	5.38	Philippine Islands	1	.90

CHILSON BOOK AND TRACT FUND

Grants of Tracts, Books, and Periodicals

426 Grants. Total, $1,214.01.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Alabama	3	$5.14	New Jersey	12	$47.36
Arizona	1	3.06	New Mexico	1	.97
Arkansas	2	4.00	New York	30	51.50
Colorado	28	80.29	North Carolina	4	3.59
Connecticut	10	13.44	North Dakota	9	19.79
Delaware	2	4.50	Ohio	17	30.65
District of Columbia	3	3.90	Oklahoma	4	26.84
Florida	2	2.75	Oregon	1	1.00
Georgia	1	.50	Pennsylvania	32	181.71
Idaho	1	5.35	Rhode Island	3	5.00
Illinois	17	46.00	South Carolina	4	4.79
Indiana	14	44.72	South Dakota	8	12.93
Iowa	3	5.27	Tennessee	1	1.00
Kansas	18	97.83	Texas	5	6.57
Kentucky	2	2.45	Vermont	4	8.00
Louisiana	1	1.00	Virginia	6	8.65
Maine	4	38.99	West Virginia	41	108.17
Maryland	8	11.26	Wisconsin	15	27.43
Massachusetts	5	10.07	Wyoming	15	38.46
Michigan	6	12.64	Canada	1	4.00
Minnesota	20	47.95	Ceylon	1	2.00
Missouri	10	20.88	China	1	9.20
Montana	27	51.59	India	1	2.00
Nebraska	6	49.90	Jamaica	2	26.92
Nevada	1	1.00	Porto Rico	2	5.00
New Hampshire	11	16.00			

MRS. FAY GRAY STUDENTS' LIBRARY FUND

55 Grants. Total, $434.70.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Kansas	9	$72.00	Oklahoma	1	$11.25
Kentucky	32	323.70	Pennsylvania	2	16.00
Nebraska	1	11.75			

MRS. FAY GRAY PACIFIC COAST FUND

Grants of Tracts, Books, and Periodicals

256 Grants. Total, $945.88.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Arizona	19	$57.50	Oregon	31	$178.94
[illegible]rnia	80	242.70	Utah	17	188.53
[illegible]	15	30.38	Washington	94	238.83

RHODA DARLING FUND

46 Grants. Total, $134.37.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
[illegible]	1	$3.75	New York	4	$23.60
[illegible]	1	1.54	North Dakota	1	5.50
[illegible]	6	10.77	Ohio	2	20.30
[illegible]	1	1.20	Pennsylvania	4	8.77
[illegible]	1	4.00	Rhode Island	1	2.00
[illegible]	2	3.74	South Dakota	3	5.35
[illegible]	2	13.50	Virginia	3	4.7[illegible]
[illegible]	2	3.00	West Virginia	1	.1[illegible]
[illegible]	1	2.00	Wisconsin	1	2.00
[illegible]	3	5.50	Wyoming	1	2.30
[illegible]	1	1.75	Porto Rico	1	5.00
[illegible]	2	3.83			

WILLIAM JACOBS PERMANENT CHURCH FUND

4 Grants. Total, $37.91.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Nebraska	1	$8.48	Pennsylvania	2	$12.37
Ohio	1	17.06			

FATHER AND MOTHER KLINE GERMAN TRACT FUND

4 Grants. Total, $6.00.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Colorado	1	$1.00	Montana	1	$1.00
Missouri	1	2.00	Texas	1	2.00

THE ELIZABETH A. LYON FUND

26 Grants. Total, $81.50.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Colorado	1	$3.70	Ohio	2	$2.49
District of Columbia	1	3.84	Pennsylvania	3	25.93
Illinois	1	2.60	South Dakota	1	4.60
Indiana	2	7.58	Virginia	3	3.84
Kansas	1	4.93	West Virginia	4	10.95
Missouri	2	1.13	Wisconsin	1	2.03
Montana	1	2.24	Wyoming	1	2.41
New York	2	3.23			

THE EMILY PEASLEE FUND

16 Grants. Total, $43.63.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Arkansas	2	$3.33	Minnesota	1	$1.20
Colorado	1	1.99	New York	1	.56
Indiana	1	3.94	Ohio	1	4.23
Iowa	1	.23	West Virginia	3	6.77
Maine	1	9.70	Wyoming	2	7.59
Michigan	1	2.14	Porto Rico	1	1.95

THE MARY F. TAYLOR FUND

22 Grants. Total, $51.77.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Colorado	1	$1.00	North Dakota	1	$2.00
Indiana	2	3.00	New York	4	6.00
Iowa	1	3.00	Ohio	1	8.50
Kansas	1	2.00	Pennsylvania	5	17.50
Missouri	1	.60	South Carolina	3	5.00
Montana	1	3.00	Virginia	1	.17

MRS. JOHN THORNE MEMORIAL MINISTERS' LIBRARY FUND

2 Grants. Total, $5.85.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
North Carolina	1	$2.00	Vermont	1	$3.85

GRANTS BY PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

BUCKNELL CENTENNIAL FUND, No. 2

Sunday-school Periodicals and Books

394 Grants. Total, $1,220.28.

STATES	Grants	
Alabama	3	
Arkansas		
California		
Colorado	14	
Connecticut		
Delaware		
District of Columbia		
Florida		
Georgia	1	
Idaho	3	
Illinois	24	
Indiana		
Iowa		
Kansas	14	
Kentucky	7	
Maine	6	
Maryland	4	
Massachusetts	5	
Michigan	16	
Minnesota	10	
Mississippi	1	
Missouri	16	
Montana	7	1.63

STATES	Grants	
Nevada	2	
New Jersey	1	
New York	53	
North Carolina	29	
North Dakota	5	
Ohio	6	
Oklahoma	8	
Oregon	12	
Pennsylvania	9	
South Carolina	40	
South Dakota	1	
Tennessee	2	
Texas	2	
Utah	2	
Vermont	2	
Virginia	3	
Washington	6	
West Virginia	9	
Wisconsin	13	
Wyoming	4	
Canada	1	
Mexico	8	
Panama	1	
	1	

TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR FUND

Sunday-school Periodicals and Books

987 Grants. Total, $2,082.64.

STATES	Grants	Amount	STATES	Grants	Amount
Alabama	10	$22.55	Ohio	39	$58.81
Alaska	2	4.42	Oklahoma	8	20.62
Arizona	8	27.67	Oregon	18	77.62
Arkansas	3	3.47	Pennsylvania	100	177.23
California	52	156.52	Rhode Island	7	16.39
Colorado	14	45.51	South Carolina	6	15.27
Connecticut	12	24.76	South Dakota	6	19.57
Delaware	4	10.59	Tennessee	14	29.27
District of Columbia	11	20.91	Texas	11	22.24
Florida	3	1.84	Utah	3	10.21
Georgia	12	12.84	Vermont	4	10.59
Idaho	6	18.09	Virginia	12	30.93
Illinois	83	120.62	Washington	23	74.45
Indiana	15	36.47	West Virginia	8	29.66
Iowa	11	24.98	Wisconsin	12	42.52
Kansas	12	36.32	Wyoming	12	37.88
Kentucky	18	29.81	Barbadoes	1	1.86
Louisiana	3	3.63	Brazil	1	1.86
Maine	8	24.25	British West Indies	1	1.86
Maryland	7	12.38	Canada	46	98.96
Massachusetts	65	79.98	Central America	1	1.86
Michigan	25	52.88	China	1	.31
Minnesota	16	54.29	Cuba	2	3.72
Mississippi	5	11.71	England	7	11.48
Missouri	27	90.92	Germany	1	4.23
Montana	12	45.47	Hawaii	1	1.86
Nebraska	11	32.41	India	4	3.15
Nevada	1	1.86	Korea	1	1.86
New Hampshire	4	10.59	New Zealand	1	1.73
New Jersey	16	20.43	Norway	1	.81
New Mexico	1	1.86	Panama	1	1.86
New York	133	164.24	Philippine Islands	1	1.86
North Carolina	14	43.20	Sweden	1	.81
North Dakota	7	19.95	Trinidad	1	1.86

RECEIPTS OF THE BENEVOLENT DEPARTMENT, 1914-1915

STATES, ETC.	Bible Department	Missionary Department
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[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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A TABLE

Showing the total amount of Grants made to each State and Territory during the fifty years, from March 31, 1865, to March 31, 1915

	1865-1914.	1915	Total
Alabama	$11,843.47	$75.71	$11,919.18
Alaska	125.75	39.19	164.94
Arizona	1,859.45	215.99	2,075.44
Arkansas	9,401.76	37.65	9,439.41
California	17,509.56	716.59	18,226.15
Colorado	7,165.40	296.11	7,461.51
Connecticut	3,745.43	206.05	3,951.48
Delaware	2,190.16	51.24	2,241.40
District of Columbia	3,747.28	44.17	3,791.45
Florida	8,734.32	24.79	8,759.11
Georgia	27,072.23	104.76	27,176.99
Idaho	3,172.43	129.91	3,302.34
Illinois	21,535.24	415.87	21,951.11
Indiana	9,430.66	250.03	9,680.69
Indian Territory	6,613.55	.....	6,613.55
Iowa	11,682.51	155.72	11,838.23
Kansas	19,872.47	425.85	20,298.32
Kentucky	12,409.30	400.69	12,809.99
Louisiana	13,602.97	27.27	13,630.24
Maine	4,177.80	229.19	4,406.99
Maryland	5,941.33	79.11	6,020.44
Massachusetts	13,540.74	245.89	13,786.63
Michigan	13,625.94	140.24	13,766.18
Minnesota	14,310.56	273.47	14,584.03
Mississippi	11,160.22	41.56	11,201.78
Missouri	20,396.45	211.57	20,608.02
Montana	2,724.21	214.74	2,938.95
Nebraska	9,711.54	168.29	9,879.83
Nevada	692.46	33.72	726.18
New Hampshire	1,512.41	63.45	1,575.86
New Jersey	11,707.40	303.28	12,010.68
New Mexico	3,090.94	2.83	3,093.77
New York	26,506.06	681.74	27,187.80
North Carolina	26,805.92	316.37	27,122.29
North Dakota	5,858.03	147.71	6,005.74
Ohio	11,897.82	396.29	12,294.11
Oklahoma	5,878.19	101.20	5,979.39
Oregon	8,725.79	375.17	9,100.96
Pennsylvania	39,279.72	918.00	40,197.72
Rhode Island	1,465.85	50.32	1,516.17
South Carolina	20,354.07	134.51	20,488.58
South Dakota	5,832.61	88.60	5,921.21
Tennessee	12,138.86	71.34	12,210.20
Texas	22,483.02	56.42	22,539.44
Utah	1,825.47	233.82	2,059.29
Vermont	2,121.45	112.43	2,233.88
Virginia	28,132.89	184.60	28,317.49
Washington	10,732.48	430.13	11,162.61
West Virginia	11,199.21	282.36	11,481.57
Wisconsin	10,381.75	184.40	10,566.15
Wyoming	2,256.69	178.71	2,435.40
Miscellaneous grants made to various parts in different States. Copies of "Good Work" and "The Baptist Teacher" to reading-rooms of Baptist colleges, academies, seminaries, and institutes throughout the United States	3,157.74	.....	3,157.74
Foreign	17,930.25	311.52	18,241.77
Records containing items destroyed by fire February 2, 1896	12,668.16	.....	12,668.16
Total	$591,937.97	$10,880.57	$602,818.54

Appendix G

Report of the American Baptist Historical Society

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SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

WE come to the close of the sixty-second year of our work for gathering and preserving Baptist history believing that it has been one of the best of the last decade or more of our endeavors. This confidence seems justified when we think of the interest shown on the part of friends throughout the United States and even across the waters, especially in the sending of important gifts for our library collection. There is further justification for our assurance in the fact that inquiries come for assistance on the part of those who want items of Baptist history, and naturally look to us for the supply of those desires.

Mention of some of the donations which have come during the year will be useful not only in recognition of the gifts, but also as a record for the denomination of that which we have been permitted to secure and at the same time as a suggestion of what others interested in Baptist history may perhaps be ready to do as they also may have opportunity.

From Miss Eunice F. Evans, of New York, we received a collection of minutes which is valuable for New York Baptist history.

Since the death of the late Rev. David Turner Davies at the Nugent Home in Philadelphia, we have received through Mrs. Davies and through the managers of the Nugent Home a considerable number of books from Mr. Davies' library. He was much interested in Baptist history, and some of the volumes which have thus come to us are notable, if not almost unique.

Dr. W. W. Keen has manifested his interest in our work by gifts of books which add materially to the value of our collection, and are important as well because they come from his pen and library.

Mr. Arthur Malcom, whose father, Rev. Howard Malcom, D. D., was most prominent in the organization of our Society and its early work, continues the interest of his father and has added to our collection books of interest and value.

A very exceptional gift is that of six pages of the original manuscript of D'Aubigné's "History of the Reformation." This is a favor which we received, through Mr. Malcom, from Miss Mabel W. Semple, of Massachusetts, who has thus shown her regard for our collection and her interest in making it of special import.

One of the most significant of gifts received is a set of the "Free Baptist Register and Year-Book," from 1860 to 1909 inclusive, except for the two years 1864 and 1867. This very exceptional donation comes from Rev. George B. Hopkins, of Michigan. We are under very unusual obligation to him, since our material on Free Baptist history has been quite limited, and this donation fills a gap which was very distressing. In addition to this gift, Mr. Hopkins has sent several books of importance for tracing the history of the Free Baptist movement. He has also aided us by giving to our librarian the addresses of prominent Free Baptist leaders through whom we shall be able still further to increase our collection of Free Baptist material.

From Dr. A. J. Rowland we have received some works important because of their age and history. Among these are the manuscript notes of six sermons of Dr. William Staughton, being outlines of sermons which he preached from 1810 to 1822. For the historian of Baptist preaching and ideas in Philadelphia a century ago these notes are invaluable.

Through the kindness of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society we now possess a complete set of "Ye Daily Chronicle," the issues of which will be remembered by those who attended the meetings of the Northern Baptist Convention in Boston a year ago.

A very helpful addition to our library collection is a nearly complete set of the "Baptist Missionary Review." This we have been permitted to receive through the generous cooperation of Rev. Frank Kurtz, A. B., managing editor of this indispensable periodical for Baptist missionary endeavor in India.

The Library of Congress is distributing to libraries such duplicate material as it has which is not needed in Washington. This plan of the Library of Congress has made it possible for us to receive a copy of an oration delivered in Philadelphia in 1790 by Rev. Dr. Morgan J. Rhees. The pamphlet is distinctive not only because of its age, but because of the subject discussed, namely, the matter of caring for immigrants who were coming to the United States and were in need. The pamphlet, accordingly, has intimate relationship to current questions, and at the same time takes us back to the activities of more than a century ago.

From the Macmillan Company, of New York, we have the very exceptional favor of a gift of a copy of "Social Christianity in the Orient," that very interesting and stimulating account of the remarkable life of Dr. John E. Clough.

While all these gifts are significant and seem worthy of record in this report, a further gift of Mr. Malcom and other friends is in some respects even more important. The details briefly are as follows: Rev. John Thomas Griffith, D. D., now in Wales, but for years a minister in America, wrote a short sketch of the life of his friend, Rev. William Shadrach, D. D., who for many years labored most effectively in Pennsylvania. That manuscript Doctor Griffith, in the autumn of 1914, committed to Rev. Milton G. Evans, D. D., president of Crozer Theological Seminary, who brought it to the attention of our librarian. At once there was a desire that the sketch should issue as a publication of our Society. Mr. Malcom very graciously consented to meet the expense of publishing the sketch. Later, material not available to Doctor Griffith in Wales was put into the form of an introduction by our librarian, and thus the sketch was considerably extended. The expense of publication being increased by this enlargement, this additional cost has been met through the interest of other friends, and the work will be issued in the near future in appropriate form from the press of the American Baptist Publication Society. The book is a tardy recognition to some extent of the remarkable service which Doctor Shadrach rendered to the Baptists of the State of Pennsylvania and of the United States as a pioneer preacher, one of the founders of Bucknell University, and one of the most active workers in the establishing of Baptist education in the State of Pennsylvania. We wish to

record the generosity of Mr. Malcom and other friends whose assistance has made this publication possible.

In the same line of important historical activities it is our privilege to say that through the generous initiative of our treasurer, Rev. Richard B. Cook, D. D., of Delaware, plans are under way which are expected to result in the publication of a history of the Philadelphia Conference of Baptist Ministers. The desirability of such a work concerning the oldest and largest of our ministerial conferences need not be urged.

It will be readily seen that the developments of our work increase the expense of administration and enlarge continually the cost of the service which we are undertaking. Only by such administrative outlay is it possible for us at all to meet our responsibilities as a society. In fact, our expenses for the past year have exceeded considerably the ordinary receipts. To meet this enlarged expense, generous friends have made unusual contributions in order that our work may be continued. The coming year and later ones will make even greater demands upon us, and we appeal to those who are interested in Baptist history and its preservation to assist us as far as may be possible. Such assistance may be rendered by becoming members of the society, and through gifts of such sums of money as friends may find a way to place at our disposal either in meeting the general expense or in any special ways in which such friends may be concerned to aid.

Along with other work in the administration of our library during the past year, much progress has been made in the arranging of such material as the annual reports of our various Baptist Societies and the minutes of State Conventions and local associations. As a result of this, we are in a much better position to respond to inquiries concerning Baptist history. This arranging of material has also brought together in accessible form a large amount of duplicate pamphlets, both reports, magazines, and minutes, which we do not ourselves need and which may be very useful in other libraries which do not already possess the material. These duplicates we hold subject to calls from libraries which would accept them and put them in shape for permanent preservation and reference. Libraries which are interested should write us. All such inquiries will be answered, and assistance will be given as far as possible.

Friends of our work will render definite assistance by keeping in mind the worth of Baptist books, pamphlets, and papers for our collection, and by writing to our librarian with reference to any such works they may have which they are willing to place with us.

Friends may aid us still further by sending the names and addresses of any who have Baptist material, especially older works which might thus be secured. It is of the very greatest importance for Baptist history that files of old Baptist and Free Baptist papers be preserved. We are especially desirous of having such materials sent to us. As an example of possibilities of this sort, a valuable gift in addition to those mentioned above was a bound copy of the "New York Baptist Register" for 1830 and another for 1845, which we have received through the generosity of Mrs. Mary C. Miller, of Williamsport, Pa.

Pastors and other church leaders may assist and be of much service to the denomination by forwarding copies of pamphlets which the churches issue, or programs and other material which from their point of view may seem valueless, but which from its very exceptional character becomes indispensable when historians are seeking material concerning the history of Baptist churches.

We have ventured to make this report largely one of details concerning some of the actual enterprises which we as a society are undertaking. We have done this believing that thereby those who otherwise would not see what our work really is will have an opportunity to understand it, and will respond accordingly.

The historian recognizes that religious life, Baptist life, like other spheres of experience, is made up largely of elements which, while they are passing, seem very trivial. It is one of the functions of a historical society to preserve as far as possible this seemingly ephemeral material in order that the historian may have access to it.

We hope, therefore, that Baptists throughout the United States, or wherever this report may go, will give enlarged attention to such details as we have put into this report. If they will do this and will write to us concerning any possibilities for preserving Baptist books and pamphlets and will offer such works wherever there is opportunity, we believe that the coming years of our activities may be even more useful than the past have been.

If, along with such interest concerning the material which we desire to make accessible to the future, those who can contribute to our support financially will render aid in that direction, our function as a society can be reasonably met, and the work of the past is only an earnest of that which may be accomplished in the future.

A sufficient address for our library is:

AMERICAN BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY,
Chester,
Pa.

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